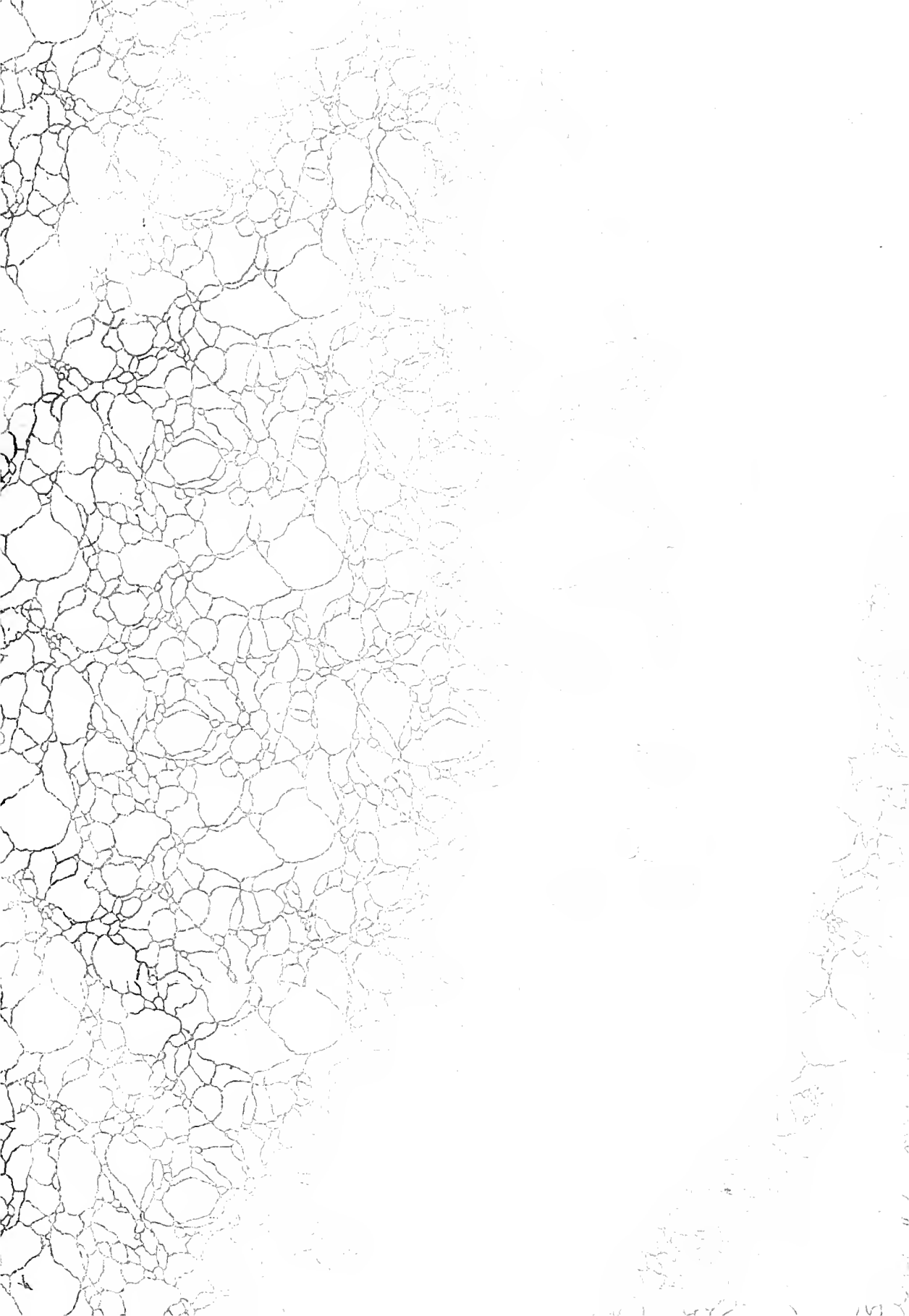






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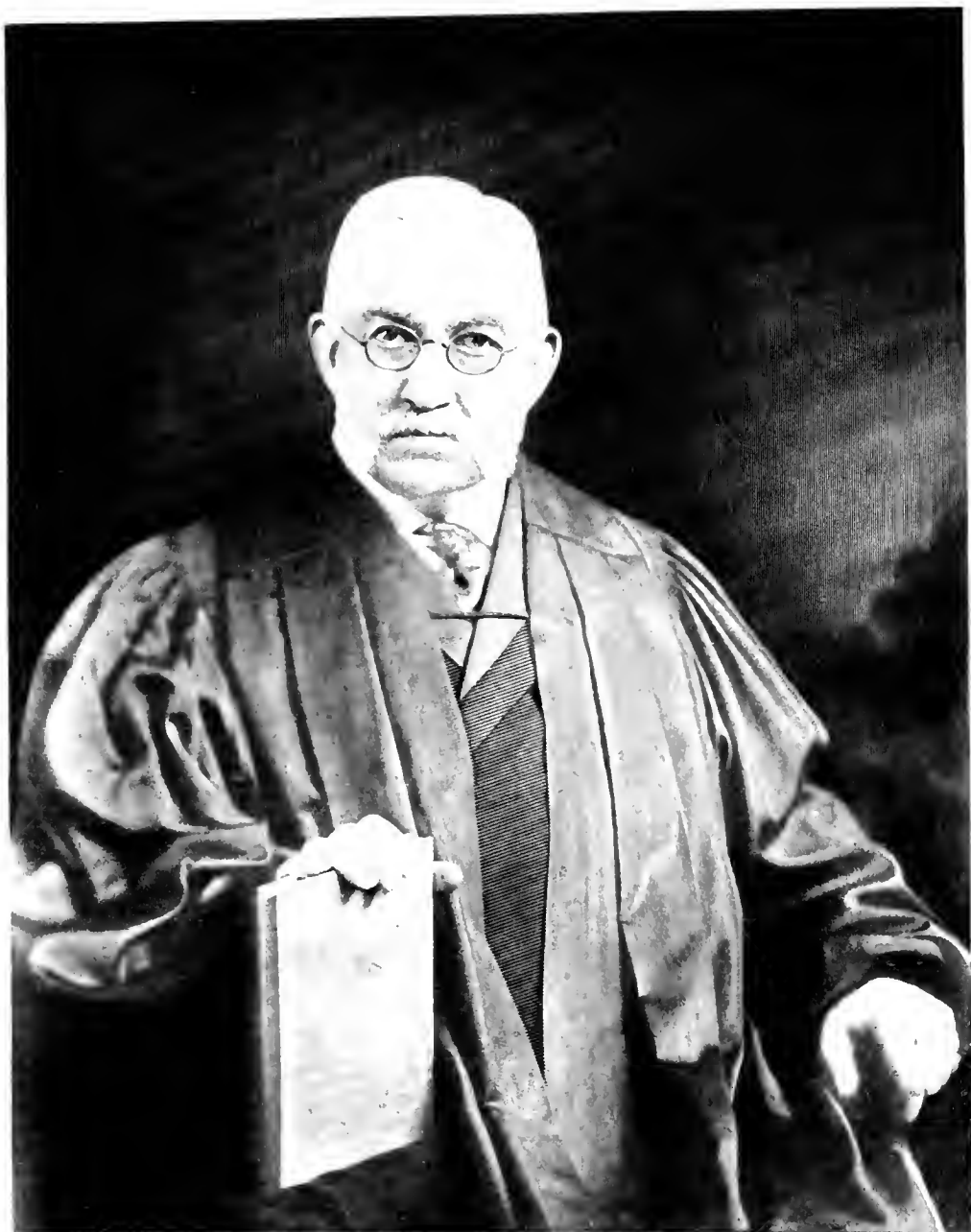
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## FREDERICK DAVID ELY.

Frederick David Ely, numbered among the eminent lawyers and jurists of Massachusetts, has been identified with the Dedham bar since 1862 and upon the bench he has proven himself the peer of many of the ablest judges of the state. He was born in Wrentham, Norfolk county, Massachusetts, on the 24th of September, 1838. His father, Nathan Ely, was born in West Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1808 and in 1835 became a resident of Wrentham, where he was married to Miss Amelia Maria Partridge, a daughter of David and Jerusha (Blake) Partridge.

After attending Day's Academy, Judge Ely entered Brown University of Providence, Rhode Island, and was graduated therefrom with the class of 1859. He then took up his abode in Dedham, where he entered upon the study of law under the direction of the Hon. Waldo Coburn, and in 1862 he was admitted to the bar, at which time he opened an office in Dedham, where he has since made his home. He engaged continuously in active practice until 1888, when he went upon the bench. His practice soon became extensive and of an important character. He was remarkable among lawyers for the wide research and provident care with which he prepared his cases. His mind is analytical, logical and inductive and he early displayed the ability to say in a convincing way the right thing at the right time. In other words his analysis was so accurate that he correlated facts and evidence in their relative importance and his application of a legal principle was seldom, if ever, at fault.

It was but natural that such a man should be called to public office and in November, 1872, Judge Ely was elected to represent his district in the state legislature, where he served for one term. In 1878 he was elected to the Massachusetts state senate, after having declined reelection to the house. In 1882 he was chosen by popular suffrage a member of the Dedham school committee and served in that capacity for one term of three years. In 1884 still higher legis-

lative honors were conferred upon him in his election to the forty-ninth congress, in which he served in 1885 and 1886. In the same decade he was again elected a member of the Dedham school committee and was continued in that position for nine years or three terms, after which he declined a reelection. For nearly twenty-six years, or from 1888, he served upon the bench of the municipal court of Boston, retiring in 1914. From 1867 until 1884 he had been trial justice of Norfolk county. The legal profession demands not only a high order of ability but a rare combination of talent, learning, tact, patience and industry. The successful lawyer and the competent judge must be a man of well balanced intellect, thoroughly familiar with the law and practice, of comprehensive general information, possessed of an analytical mind and a self-control that will enable him to lose his individuality, his personal feelings, his prejudices and his peculiarities of disposition in the dignity, impartiality and equity of the office to which life, property, right and liberty must look for protection. Possessing these qualities, Judge Ely justly merited the high honor which was conferred upon him in his appointment to the bench and his continued service through more than a quarter of a century indicates clearly the soundness and impartiality of his judicial opinions, which received the endorsement of colleagues and contemporaries. Aside from his connection with the bench and bar and with official service, Judge Ely became and still is a director of the Dedham Mutual Fire Insurance Company and is the vice president of the Dedham Institution for Savings.

On the 6th of December, 1866, in Boston, Judge Ely was united in marriage to Miss Eliza B. Whittier, a daughter of Seth Whittier. Mrs. Ely passed away, leaving two children, Frederick D. and Amelia M., but the former is now deceased. The latter is a resident of Boston and is the wife of W. C. Howe, M. D. Judge Ely was again married on the 10th of August, 1885, in Dedham, his second union being with Anna Emerson, a daughter of Lyman and Olive Emerson. Her demise occurred in July, 1915.

Judge Ely is a communicant of St. Paul's Episcopal church, of which he has been vestryman since 1874. He has always given his political allegiance to the republican party. At the dedication of the Norfolk county courthouse he was called upon to deliver the principal address. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons, being a past master of Constellation Lodge, F. & A. M., while in Cyprus Commandery he has attained the Knight Templar degree. He has served as deputy grand master of the state and has done much to further Masonic interests in eastern Massachusetts. On the



fiftieth anniversary of his joining the order a special memorial book was presented him by his brother Masons. He belongs to the Fisher Ames Club of Dedham. Judge Ely is approaching the eightieth milestone on life's journey and his are "the blest accompaniments of age—honor, riches, troops of friends." One of the most distinguished citizens of Norfolk county, there is no man who stands higher in the estimation of all who know him because of the wise use which he has made of his time and talents and because of the high standards which he has ever followed, making his career largely an irreproachable one.

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### FRANK HOWARD PURINGTON.

Frank Howard Purington, a real estate broker, who is president and treasurer of the company operating under the name of Henry W. Savage, Inc., controls in this connection most extensive interests, operating over a wide territory in Boston and through adjacent cities. He was born in Boston, September 5, 1873, and is a son of Joseph A. Purington, a native of Maine and a descendant of one of the old families of that state, of English lineage. The progenitor of the family in the new world settled first at Sidney, Maine, and representatives of the family have since taken active part in promoting progress and development in New England. Joseph A. Purington became engaged in mercantile pursuits in Brookline. He married Lydia J. C. Morrill, a native of Amesbury, Massachusetts, and a representative of an old colonial family that numbered among its members participants in the Revolutionary war, so that Mrs. Purington became a member of the Daughters of the Revolution. She is still living and yet makes her home in Brookline. By her marriage she became the mother of two sons: Frank Howard; and Chester W., who is a graduate of Harvard University and is now a mining engineer of London, England.

Frank H. Purington was educated in the public and high schools of Boston and in Harvard pursued a course in architecture, winning the S. B. degree upon graduation with the class of 1899. The following year he entered the office of Henry W. Savage, of Boston, and continued with him as a salesman for the Brookline office until 1905, when he was advanced to the position of manager and continued in that capacity until 1914, when the business was incorporated and Mr. Purington became the president and treasurer. He has since been

the head of the business, which is the largest real estate brokerage business in New England. In addition to the Boston offices at No. 129 Tremont street and No. 47 Winter street, three other offices are maintained, one in Brookline, one in Newton, and the third in Framingham, Massachusetts. The business of the firm is most extensive, placing Mr. Purington in the front rank of the leading real estate men of New England. He is also a director of the Equitable Trust Company and a director of the Boston Real Estate Exchange.

On the 17th of February, 1914, in Brookline, Mr. Purington was united in marriage to Alice Tripp, a native of New Bedford, Massachusetts, and a daughter of Albert S. Tripp. Their religious faith is that of the Universalist church and Mr. Purington gives his political allegiance to the republican party. He is well known in club circles as a member of the Boston City Club and of the Harvard Club and he also has membership in the Loyal Legion. His activities have extended to many interests which have value to the community at large and his aid and support are always given on the side of progress, advancement and improvement.

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#### WALTER M. FISHER.

Walter M. Fisher, engaged in the lumber, hay and grain business in Franklin, his native town, was born January 8, 1839, his parents being Walter H. and Emily P. (Merrifield) Fisher, the former a native of Franklin, while the latter was born in New Hampshire. The father devoted his life to the occupation of farming, which he followed in the town of Norfolk, formerly a part of Franklin, and both he and his wife have now passed away.

Their son, Walter M. Fisher, was educated in the schools of Franklin and when a young man of twenty-three years he responded to the call of his country for military aid and joined the army in 1862, becoming one of the boys in blue of Company C, Forty-fifth Massachusetts Infantry. He served for nine months with that company and in November, 1864, he reenlisted, joining Company H of the Third Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, remaining with that command until the close of the war. During the last two years of his service he was connected with the quartermaster's department and returned to his home with a most creditable military record. When the war was over he took up the straw business in Boston and for about sixteen years was engaged in the work of making ladies'



WALTER M. FISHER



and men's straw hats, continuing active in the management of his business until 1882, when he sold his interests there and returned to Franklin. Here he engaged in the lumber, hay and grain business, becoming owner of a fourth interest in the firm of E. L. & O. F. Metcalf. He has since been identified with the business, which is now conducted under the firm style of O. F. Metcalf & Sons. The original partnership was maintained for ten years and at the present writing the partners are Mr. Fisher and Frank D. Metcalf. They enjoy a trade of substantial proportions and their business is now one of the important commercial concerns of the town.

In November, 1867, Mr. Fisher was united in marriage to Miss Alice J. Metcalf, a daughter of O. F. and Martha Metcalf, the former a native of Franklin, while the latter was born in Medway, in the town of Franklin, Norfolk county. Her father spent his entire life here in the lumber and grain business and was one of the valued and respected residents of his locality. Both he and his wife have been called to their final rest. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher have become parents of two children. Alice M. is the wife of W. S. Southwick, a resident of Clinton and the mother of three children—Walter Edward, Harriett E. and Elsie. Elmer M., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, is superintendent of the Filene Sons Company of Boston.

Mr. Fisher of this review has served as selectman of Franklin and also as tree warden and is interested in all that has to do with the progress, upbuilding and welfare of the community in which he resides. He maintains pleasant relations with his old army comrades through his membership in Franklin Post, No. 60, G. A. R., and served as its commander five years. He has always held to the faith of the republican party, which was the defense of the Union during the dark days of the Civil war and has always been the party of reform and progress. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church and his is an active and upright life. He is highly esteemed as a man of genuine worth, reliable in business, progressive in citizenship and faithful to every relation in life.

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### MICHAEL WILLIAM HANLEY.

A record of successful achievement is that of Michael William Hanley, the steps in whose orderly progression are easily discernible. Indefatigable energy and determined purpose have been the crowning points in his career and have carried him from a humble posi-

tion into important business relations. He is now the secretary and general manager of the Pequa Press, Inc., publisher of the Stoughton News-Sentinel and conducting an extensive job printing and binding business that has steadily grown until the Pequa Press, Inc. occupies a foremost position among the printing establishments of this part of the state. Mr. Hanley is of Irish birth. He was born December 20, 1872, in County Galway, Ireland, his parents being Michael and Julia (O'Grady) Hanley, who were also natives of that county. Coming to America, they settled in Waltham, Massachusetts, in 1877, and the father continued to make his home there throughout his remaining days, his death occurring September 21, 1908. His widow survives and is still living in Waltham.

Michael W. Hanley was but five years of age when his parents crossed the Atlantic and consequently he was reared and educated in Waltham. When his school days were over he entered the office of the Waltham Evening News and later went to Boston, where he learned the printer's trade, working at various times on all the large papers of that city, including the Boston Globe, Post, Herald and Advertiser. In September, 1902, he removed to Stoughton, Massachusetts, and in May, 1903, established the Pequa Press. In the meantime he had thoroughly acquainted himself with every phase of the printing business, steadily working upward until he had reached a prominent position by reason of his superior skill and ability. He was then offered a position as superintendent of the composing room for the largest publishing house in this country but the desire to enter business on his own account led him to refuse the proffered offer and establish the Pequa Press, which step he took in May, 1903. Business was begun in a small way in a room on Freeman street in Stoughton. He entered upon the struggle for business existence. Much patience was required and he had to undergo many privations and work for long hours in order to make the Pequa Press what it is today, "the foremost printing house in this part of the state." There were six other printing offices in Stoughton at that time; today the Pequa Press is the only printing office, for the excellence of the work turned out by the establishment led to the absorption of all the trade in this line. Mr. Hanley secured the business of Morse Brothers, manufacturers of the Rising Sun stove polish in Massachusetts. This necessitated a removal to larger quarters in order to take care of their extensive business and the Pequa Press was housed in a large three-story building, but at that time only a part of the first floor was used. Now the entire first floor and as well all of the second floor are utilized, the second

floor being used as a bindery plant, and the Press today occupies fifteen hundred square feet. The Press is known from coast to coast for its originality, for the style and good workmanship of its finished products. Scarcely a week passes that shipments are not made to England, Canada, the Philippine islands, Mexico and in fact through every quarter of the globe. The first piece of machinery installed was a seven by eleven job press and a few hundred dollars worth of type. Today the plant is one hundred per cent in its equipment, which includes the latest style of cylinder presses with Chandler and Price job presses, a Pearl press, a Universal press, a Babcock Optimist press and the latest Latham stitching machines for binding purposes, together with punching and perforating machines, Chandler and Price paper cutters and proof presses. With the lack of ready capital and much competition Mr. Hanley had to bring every resource to bear to establish his business and place it upon a paying basis, but from the beginning his patronage began to increase, for his work showed superior excellence and originality. At length it was urged by his fellow townsmen that he establish a paper and the result was that the Stoughton News came into being, a paper which soon outdistanced its competitors and is recognized as one of the leading papers of eastern Massachusetts. On the 1st of November, 1916, the Pequa Press was incorporated with Colonel A. H. Geotting as the president, E. H. Southworth, treasurer, and Michael W. Hanley, secretary and general manager, together with George Belcher and J. W. Wood as directors.

On the 10th of February, 1897, Mr. Hanley was united in marriage to Miss Helen Harriet Sullivan, of Waltham, Massachusetts, who was born in Bangor, Maine, February 5, 1872. They have become the parents of four children: Helen V. and Philip T., who were born in Everett, Massachusetts; and Bertha F. and Richard G., born in Stoughton. All are attending the public schools.

Mr. Hanley is a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters and has membership in the Immaculate Conception Catholic church. He has made for himself a most enviable position in the hearts of his fellow townsmen and is today at the head of one of the most important industrial enterprises of his adopted town. Actuated by a spirit of progress and of laudable ambition, Mr. Hanley has steadily worked his way upward since he took his initial step in the business world and has been a persistent, resolute and energetic worker, possessing strong executive powers and keeping his hand steadily upon the helm of his business. He has been strictly conscientious in his dealings with debtor and creditor alike and keenly alive to the possibilities

of every new avenue opened in the natural ramifications of trade. He has passed over the pitfalls into which unrestricted progressiveness is so frequently led and has been enabled to focus his energies in directions where fruition is certain.

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### GEORGE GRANVILLE DARLING.

George Granville Darling, who since his admission to the bar in 1900 has engaged in the practice of law in Dedham, his native city, was born on the 25th of April, 1876, a son of Charles Cassius and Helene (Ballard) Darling. The father was born in Boston, was married in that city and passed away in Dedham, but his widow survives and now resides in New York city. Charles B. Darling, the paternal grandfather of our subject, was a native of Boston, Massachusetts, and in association with his son, Charles Cassius Darling, conducted what was the largest distillery in the United States prior to the period of the Civil war. During that conflict Charles C. Darling, the father of George Granville Darling, served as a member of General Fuller's staff.

To the public school system of Dedham, George Granville Darling is indebted for the early educational privileges which he enjoyed. Passing through consecutive grades, he was graduated from the high school and for four or five years thereafter he devoted his attention to newspaper work in Massachusetts, and in 1900 he was admitted to the bar in Norfolk county. He has since practiced in the courts of his district and throughout the state and United States courts, and his practice has constantly become more important and extensive, connecting him with much important litigation. He has ever recognized the fact that advancement at the bar depends upon individual effort and he has prepared his cases with great thoroughness and care, while his logical deductions and clear reasoning constitute the strength of his arguments.

In April, 1901, in Dedham, Mr. Darling was united in marriage to Elizabeth Hammond White, a daughter of Harry K. and Sallie (Joy) Hammond, the latter a well known authoress.

Politically Mr. Darling is a republican and in 1897 he was elected to the position of moderator of Dedham, to which office he was reelected three or four times. He is justice of the peace and when twenty-one years of age was appointed master in chancery, to which office he has been reappointed by the governor every five years



since. Fraternally he is connected with the Knights of Pythias, also with the Knights of Malta and with the Loyal Order of Moose. He is likewise a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and he has membership in the Dedham Society for the Apprehension of Horse Thieves, in the Grange, in the Dedham Boat Club and the Dedham Tennis Club. These associations indicate the nature and breadth of his interests, and that he has concern for the moral progress of the community is indicated in his membership in the Episcopal church. His has been an active and useful life and his history is as an open book which all may read. He has ever remained a resident of Dedham and that his career has been honorable and upright is indicated in the fact that among his stanchest friends are those who have known him from his boyhood to the present time.

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#### WILLIAM H. PRATT.

A most honorable business career has been that of William H. Pratt and no resident of East Weymouth has been held in higher regard, due not alone to the success he has achieved but also owing to the straightforward business policy which he has ever followed. There are those who claim that success is a matter of genius or of a fortunate combination of circumstances, but the life record of such men as William H. Pratt proves to the contrary. Success is the direct result of close application, unfaltering perseverance and keen intelligence and these qualities have made Mr. Pratt among the men of affluence in East Weymouth, his native city. He was born on the 3d of November, 1851, and is a son of Charles H. and Elvira N. (Rice) Pratt, who were also natives of Weymouth. The father was a factory superintendent until 1884, when he engaged in the business of cutting calf skins for shoes in partnership with his son William and he continued active along that line until his death, which occurred November 9, 1896. His widow survived for about sixteen years and passed away in 1912.

William H. Pratt was reared and educated in East Weymouth and then entered a shoe factory in the cutting department. He was promoted to the position of superintendent after some preliminary service and prior to that was a salesman for a time for the same firm which gave him his promotion. As stated, he became the partner of his father in business and following the father's death continued to engage in cutting calf skins for a few years. He was

then elected president of the East Weymouth Savings Bank and for five years devoted his time and energies to the conduct of the business, largely shaping the policy of the bank and directing its activities. At length, however, on account of ill health, he resigned. In the meantime as he had prospered in his undertakings he had made investments in real estate and is today the owner of considerable valuable property, from which he derives a most gratifying annual income.

In 1873 Mr. Pratt was united in marriage to Miss Anna F. Treat and unto them were born two children: Annie, who died in infancy, and Annie F., who died at the age of nine months. The wife and mother passed away in 1890 and Mr. Pratt was again married in 1894, his second union being with Abbie Rogers, whose death occurred in 1896.

Politically Mr. Pratt is a republican and was town auditor of East Weymouth for some time. He is still a trustee of the bank and is second vice president but is now largely concentrating his efforts and attention upon other interests. He is a trustee and the treasurer of the Weymouth Industrial Company, which built the George E. Keith shoe factory, and the company still owns the building. In religious faith Mr. Pratt is connected with the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a trustee. He has been the vice president of the Weymouth Cemetery Association. He is connected with the Masons and has been a worthy follower of the craft, being most loyal to its teachings concerning the brotherhood of mankind and the obligations thereby imposed. Wherever he is known—and he has a wide acquaintance—he is spoken of in terms of high regard, for his life is the expression of high American manhood and chivalry.

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#### ALBERT W. BURTON.

Plainville lost one of its honored and representative citizens when Albert W. Burton passed away. He had long been identified with manufacturing interests and as a business man ranked among the foremost by reason of his spirit of enterprise and progress and also by reason of the straightforward business principles which he ever followed. His life was guided and actuated by the highest purposes and his path was never strewn with the wreck of other men's fortunes. He won his success in honorable competition and by the employment of methods which neither sought nor required disguise.



ALBERT W. BURTON



He was born at Hopkins Mills, North Foster, Rhode Island, December 19, 1831, and his life record covered the intervening years to the 24th of July, 1909, when he passed away at Buttonwood, Rhode Island. His parents were Elliott Lee and Bernice (Williams) Burton and he was a descendant in the seventh generation of Roger Williams. His father was born at Hopkinton City, Hopkinton, Rhode Island, October 20, 1803, and died at East Killingly, Connecticut, July 7, 1887.

After acquiring a common school education he had assisted his father in the work of the home farm and in early manhood he began peddling laces and notions from house to house. He was thus engaged for a few years, after which he took up his abode at Foster, Rhode Island, where he established and conducted a general store. He afterward removed to Killingly, Connecticut, where he was employed in cotton factories, and at a subsequent date he engaged in farming there for a short time. He then entered into the manufacture and finishing of boots and shoes for various firms, but after ten years devoted to that business he once more resumed agricultural pursuits. With public affairs he was deeply and actively concerned. He served as road surveyor while living at Foster and was also a member of the Foster Militia. He and his wife became members of the Freewill Baptist church at Foster, November 6, 1852, and throughout his remaining days he put forth every possible effort to advance the moral progress of the communities in which he lived. His early political allegiance was given to the whig party and he became a stanch opponent of the system of slavery. When the republican party was formed to prevent its further extension he joined the ranks of the new political organization and became a stalwart supporter of Abraham Lincoln. His wife, who was born November 8, 1806, and died October 14, 1889, was a daughter of Sheldon and Naomi (Randall) Williams and a direct descendant of Roger Williams.

Albert W. Burton pursued his education by attending the district school for three months in the winter and again for three months in the summer until he reached the age of twelve years, after which he had opportunity to attend only through the winter seasons, and when he was sixteen years of age his textbooks were permanently put aside in order that he might provide for his own support. It was at that time that his parents removed to East Killingly and for six months thereafter he was employed in the cotton mills. He then secured a position on the farm of William Cook in Gloucester, Connecticut, and at eighteen years of age he shipped on board the whaler Ocean,

bound for the Arctic seas, under the command of Captain Swift. Mr. Burton spent thirteen years at sea and many interesting experiences came to him during his whaling voyage.

At the time of the Civil war Mr. Burton responded to the country's call for aid, enlisting at Wrentham on the 20th of February, 1864, as a member of the Fourteenth Massachusetts Battery, with which he saw much arduous service, participating in many engagements, including the battles of the Wilderness, May 5th to 7th; Mey River, May 10th; Spottsylvania, May 12th to 21st; North Anna River, May 23d to 27th; Bethesda Church, June 2d; Cold Harbor, June 4th to 12th; Petersburg, June 16th to 25th; Deep Bottom, July 9th to 17th; Crater, July 30th; Petersburg trenches, August 5th to 21st; Fort Steadman, March 25th to 29, 1865; and the fall of Petersburg in 1865.

When hostilities had ceased and the war was brought to a successful termination Mr. Burton was honorably discharged on the 15th of June, 1865, and was mustered out at Readville, Massachusetts. During a part of his military experience he was mate on the ship Mary J. Mifflin, which was engaged in taking supplies to McClellan's army.

With his return home Mr. Burton turned his attention to the jewelry manufacturing business as an employe of H. F. Barrows at North Attleboro, Massachusetts. He later removed to Plainville, Massachusetts, where he was employed by J. D. Lincoln of the firm of Tiffany & Bacon for two years. In the spring of 1872 the Plainville Stock Company was organized for the manufacture of jewelry specialties, the members of the company being various prominent business men, including Albert W. Burton. From time to time changes occurred in the personnel of the house as the older members retired and their places were taken by young men. From the beginning the enterprise proved a profitable one and Mr. Burton contributed in marked measure to the growing success of the undertaking to the time of his retirement on the 26th of March, 1909, when he put aside business cares to enjoy the fruits of his former labor and spent his remaining days in well earned rest.

Mr. Burton was married in Wrentham, Massachusetts, June 22, 1857, to Mary Ellis, who was born October 5, 1836, a daughter of Edward R. and Susanna (Dale) Ellis, who were also natives of the Bay state. Mr. and Mrs. Burton became the parents of six children: Edward R., who was born January 31, 1858, and died on the 6th of February of the same year; Alice Williams, who was born August 24, 1859, and departed this life April 6, 1885; Albert E.,

whose birth occurred April 6, 1861; Maria Lincoln, born May 13, 1866; Bernice Elliott, born October 7, 1878; and Wesley Hopkins, who is now in France.

Mr. Burton attended the Methodist church and was a most generous contributor to its support. He did everything in his power to advance the work of the church and promote its growth and to the church at Plainville he donated the organ. He ever maintained pleasant relations with his old army comrades through his membership in George H. Maintien Post, No. 133, G. A. R., of which he served as both senior and junior vice commander and as quartermaster for many years. In days of peace he was as true and loyal to his country as when he followed the stars and stripes upon the battlefields of the south and at all times he stood for those interests which he deemed of greatest worth to the community. A business man of marked enterprise and prominence, a citizen of worth and loyalty, the many sterling traits of character which he displayed commanded for him the goodwill and confidence of all. Mrs. Burton still resides in Plainville in an attractive home at No. 22 School street and is well and hearty at the age of eighty-one years.

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#### CLARENCE P. WHITTLE, D. D. S.

Dr. Clarence P. Whittle, engaged in the practice of dentistry at Weymouth, with a well appointed office that is the visible expression of his utilization of progressive scientific methods, was born in Deering, New Hampshire, on the 1st of January, 1867, and is a son of Thomas and Elmira (Kempfield) Whittle, who were also natives of the Old Granite state. The father was a farmer of New Hampshire and followed agricultural pursuits near Deering throughout his entire life. He died in 1884, having for about two years survived his wife, who passed away in 1882.

Dr. Whittle was reared in Deering and in the acquirement of his education completed a high school course at Hillsboro Bridge. He then entered Tufts Dental College of Boston in preparation for a dental career and was graduated with the class of 1892. He next came to Weymouth, Massachusetts, where he opened an office and has since continued in practice. He is the only dentist at Weymouth and his business has steadily increased until it has now assumed extensive proportions. He is in close touch with the latest scientific researches and discoveries bearing upon his profession and in his

work displays that marked mechanical skill and ingenuity which must always constitute a factor in success in dental practice.

Dr. Whittle was united in marriage to Miss Anne B. Hunt in June, 1895. She is a daughter of E. A. and Louisa (Follett) Hunt, the former a native of Weymouth, and the latter of Quincy, Massachusetts. The father was a pioneer in Norfolk county and engaged in shoe manufacturing and was also prominent in other connections. He served as representative and as senator in the state legislature and was selectman at Weymouth for a number of years. He died in 1891, while his wife has also passed away. To Dr. and Mrs. Whittle have been born six children: Clarence P., who was born August 14, 1896, attended the Massachusetts Agricultural College and has enlisted in the service of his country; Wallace L., who was born September 24, 1899, and is attending the Massachusetts Agricultural College; Martha H., born in 1905; Donald F., born in 1907; Francis A., born in 1911; and Elizabeth, born in 1914.

In addition to his other interests Dr. Whittle is a director of the Weymouth Savings Bank. He has served on the school board for six years, acting as its chairman, and has been a member of the library board for fifteen years, acting as its chairman for twelve years. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias, and his political allegiance is given the republican party. His activities are broad and varied, touching the general interests of society, and his efforts have been of the utmost worth in advancing public progress along many lines.

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### SAMUEL HOWARD CAPEN.

Among the public officials of Norfolk county who have received endorsement of efficient service in reelection to office is numbered Samuel Howard Capen, who is serving as sheriff. He makes his home in Dedham and he was born in Canton, Norfolk county, on the 12th of March, 1848. His father, George Capen, was also a native of Canton, born in the same house as his son, his natal year being 1817. There he was reared to manhood and married, the lady of his choice being Miss Clarissa Boyden. The death of George Capen occurred on the 17th of February, 1863, and his wife has also passed away. In tracing back the ancestry of the family it is learned that the first of the name in the new world was Bernard Capen, who was born in England and crossed the Atlantic to America in the





SAMUEL H. CAPEN



seventeenth century, arriving on the shores of the new world about the 26th of February, 1632. In 1636 he was made a freeman. The family home was originally established in Dorchester, which is now a part of Boston. Through all the intervening period representatives of the name have remained residents of Massachusetts and the family has always stood for progress in public affairs and for loyalty in all that has to do with the welfare and upbuilding of community and commonwealth.

Samuel Howard Capen spent his youthful days in his native city and attended school until he reached the age of eighteen years, when he started out in the business world, securing employment in a small general store there. Gradually he worked his way upward in that connection and carefully saved his earnings until his industry furnished him the means to enable him to engage in business on his own account. It was in 1871, when he was twenty-three years of age, that he purchased a general store in Canton, where he conducted business for nineteen years, or until 1890, enjoying a liberal patronage throughout that period. He then disposed of his store and turned his attention to the fire insurance business, in which he was quite successful. Mr. Capen removed to Dedham in 1899 and since then he has made his home in the county seat. He is still, however, a director of the Dedham Mutual Fire Insurance Company and is a trustee of the Dedham Institution for Savings, so that he is yet actively and prominently connected with business interests of importance. At the present time, however, he is concentrating the greater part of his attention upon official duties. In 1878 he was appointed deputy sheriff under Rufus C. Wood, who was then filling the position of sheriff. Mr. Capen continued to act as deputy for twenty-one years, making a most excellent record, and in November, 1898, he was elected to the office of sheriff of Norfolk county and has served for four successive terms of three years each and is now serving for his second term of five years, which will continue him as the incumbent in the position until 1920. At each election he has been nominated by both democrats and republicans. He is a supporter of the republican party but political belief has never been allowed to interfere with the faithful performance of his duty. No higher testimonial of his capable service could be given than the fact that he has received the endorsement of both parties.

On the 24th of October, 1871, in Canton, Massachusetts, Mr. Capen was united in marriage to Miss Adelaide A. Tucker, a daughter of Aaron E. Tucker, now deceased. Their children are: Samuel H., Jr., who was born January 7, 1876, and is now located at Prov-

idence, Rhode Island; and Harold Tucker, who was born April 17, 1885, and is a resident of Dedham.

The religious faith of Mr. and Mrs. Capen is that of the Unitarian church. He is well known in Masonic circles, being a past master of Blue Hill Lodge, F. & A. M., at Canton and a past commander of Cyprus Commandery, No. 39, K. T., at Hyde Park. He is also a member of the Fisher Ames Club of Dedham and he is widely and favorably known by reason of his activity in business circles, by reason of his valuable official service and his connection with fraternal interests. In every relation in which he has been found he has been faithful to duty, meeting every obligation with a sense of conscientious service and doing with his might whatever his hands have found to do. Over his official record there falls no shadow of wrong or suspicion or evil. Since 1878 he has been almost continuously connected with the office of sheriff—a most notable record, in which he has been found faultless in honor, fearless in conduct and stainless in reputation.

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### JOHN E. BARBER.

John E. Barber is the efficient cashier of the Franklin National Bank and in his business career progressiveness has been tempered by a safe conservatism that contributes in substantial measure to the stability of the bank of which he is an official. He was born in Rockville, Massachusetts, in September, 1869, and is a son of John and Cynthia (Hayford) Barber, both of whom were natives of Massachusetts. The father was a mechanic and farmer, devoting the greater part of his life to general agricultural pursuits in Massachusetts, where the family has been represented through various generations. The original American ancestor came to the new world in 1670 and his descendants have since been found in this state. The father of John E. Barber passed away in 1886, but the mother is still living at the notable old age of ninety-two years.

Spending his youthful days in Norfolk, Massachusetts, John E. Barber there pursued his education and after his textbooks were put aside he took up the study of telegraphy, having already acquainted himself to a considerable extent with that business. He became the youngest telegraph operator on the road, being employed in that way when but fifteen years of age, and advancing step by step, he ultimately became train dispatcher and was also the young-

est incumbent in a position of that character. About 1897 he removed to Franklin, where he entered the employ of the Ray Woolen Company as time clerk and paymaster. He spent several years with the company, after which he worked for the American Woolen Company as chief clerk, and later he was with the Charles River Woolen Company as bookkeeper. He afterward became superintendent and agent and on leaving that company became an employe of the Ray Fabric Mills, occupying the responsible position of superintendent. He left that position to operate a small mill in partnership with his brother-in-law, David W. Mann, but soon afterward their plant was destroyed by fire and after paying their bills they had nothing left. He then entered the Franklin National Bank as an assistant and soon afterward was elected to the position of cashier, in which capacity he has since continued. He is a popular and obliging official, extending the courtesies of the bank to its patrons in as far as possible but never to a point of jeopardizing the interests of the depositors. The bank was established about 1865 at Blackstone and was known as the Worcester County Bank. In 1871, Joseph G. and James P. Ray purchased a controlling interest in the business and by special act of congress removed the bank to Franklin, with permission to change the name to the Franklin National Bank. James P. Ray acted as president of the institution until his death, when he was succeeded by his brother, Joseph G. Ray, who continued as president until his demise, when E. H. Rathbun was elected to the office. Edgar K. Ray, son of James P. Ray, was also president until his life's labors were ended in death. Mr. Rathbun resides in Woonsocket, Rhode Island. The vice presidents of the bank are A. D. Thayer and B. M. Rockwood, with Mr. Barber as cashier. The bank is capitalized for one hundred thousand dollars and has a surplus and undivided profits of one hundred and thirty-eight thousand dollars, while the deposits now amount to five hundred thousand dollars.

On the 1st of October, 1890, Mr. Barber was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth A. Mann, a daughter of Alexander and Helen (Davidson) Mann, who were natives of Scotland. They came to Massachusetts at an early day, arriving about 1867. The father was a stone mason by trade and he and his wife spent the residue of their lives in the Bay state. His death occurred in 1892, while his wife, surviving for many years, passed away in 1915. To Mr. and Mrs. Barber have been born three children. George W., born in 1891, is a graduate of the Massachusetts Agricultural College of the class of 1913 and is employed by the United States government as a

scientific entomologist and is in charge of the station at Hagerstown, Maryland. John C., born in 1896, is engaged in the grocery business. Mildred, born in 1901, is a student in Dean Academy.

Mr. Barber is a member of Excelsior Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master, and he is also a past district deputy grand master. He belongs to Miller Chapter, R. A. M., of which he is a past high priest, and is a member of Milford Commandery, K. T., and of Aleppo Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Boston. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church. His political support is given to the republican party and he has been called to office in many public connections. He has served as auditor of Franklin and as register of voters. He is treasurer of the Franklin Committee on Public Safety, is treasurer of the First Congregational church, is president of the Franklin Business Men's Association and is a member of the executive council of the Franklin Chapter of the American Red Cross. He is likewise the treasurer of the Franklin Playgrounds Association and thus has been active in connection with many interests which are looking to civic betterment, to the uplift and benefit of the individual and to the advancement of standards of citizenship.

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#### PORTER S. BOYDEN.

For many years Porter S. Boyden ranked with the prominent and representative business men of Walpole, Norfolk county, being actively identified with the work of contracting. At the present writing he is living retired and is possessed of a substantial competence which has come to him as the direct result and reward of his persistent, earnest and intelligently directed efforts. Mr. Boyden is also a representative of one of the oldest families of New England, the ancestral line being traced down through Thomas Boyden, who crossed the Atlantic from Ipswich, Suffolk county, England, in April, 1634, the family having long been established in the mother country. During the year following his arrival in the new world Thomas Boyden was in the employ of William Gilson, a large landowner of Scituate, Massachusetts, which was a part of the Plymouth colony. The admission of Thomas Boyden to the church at Scituate is proven by the church records. It is not definitely known how long he remained there, but at a later period he resided in Watertown and in 1650 was a resident of Boston, in which city the death of his

wife, Frances, occurred on the 17th of March, 1658. He afterward married Hannah (Phillips) Morse, of Boston. Later he is mentioned in early records as a resident of Medfield, Norfolk county. His second wife, Mrs. Hannah Boyden, passed away in Medfield, October 3, 1676, but there is no record found concerning the death of Mr. Boyden.

Jonathan Boyden, the third child of the first marriage of Thomas Boyden, was born February 20, 1652, in Boston and his life record covered the intervening years to May 30, 1732. He was married on the 26th of September, 1673, to Mary Clark, the eldest daughter of Joseph and Alice Clark, who were among the earliest settlers of Dedham, Massachusetts, her father having been one of the thirteen men who undertook the settlement of Medfield. The family of Jonathan Boyden included a son, who was named in honor of his father. Jonathan Boyden, Jr., was born in Medfield, July 30, 1674, and died on the 3d of March, 1719. He was married on the 17th of November, 1698, to Rachel Fisher, whose parents were John and Hannah (Adams) Fisher. The line of descent is traced on down through Jonathan Boyden III, who was born in Medfield, March 13, 1700, and who on the 31st of May, 1726, wedded Mehitabel Lovell, a daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth (Dyer) Lovell, of Medfield. They removed to Walpole soon after their marriage and their remaining days were passed in that city. Their second child was Benjamin Boyden, whose birth occurred at Walpole, November 6, 1733. There he spent his entire life and on the 5th of February, 1806, was called to his final rest. On the 12th of May, 1757, he had married Huldah Armsby, a daughter of Joshua and Esther (Cheney) Armsby, of Medfield, and a granddaughter of Joshua and Mehitabel (Boyden) Armsby. The death of Mrs. Huldah Boyden occurred February 4, 1784, when she was forty-nine years of age, and Benjamin Boyden afterward married again on the 25th of April, 1785, his second union being with Mrs. Hannah Maxfield, of Walpole. He was a soldier of the Revolutionary war, espousing the cause of the colonists and aiding in the task of winning American independence. His children were all born of his first marriage.

Phineas Boyden, the second of the family, was born November 2, 1760, in Walpole, and was in the sixty-eighth year of his age when called to his final rest April 29, 1828. On the 16th of January, 1783, he married Lydia Boyden, a daughter of Jonathan and Freelove Boyden. He, too, was a soldier of the Revolutionary war, bearing his part in the defense of colonial interests which led to the

establishment of the American republic. Harvey Boyden, son of Phineas Boyden and the second child of the family, was born April 26, 1787, in Walpole, Massachusetts, where his death occurred on the 7th of February, 1870, so that he had reached the advanced age of eighty-three years. He was married January 23, 1811, to Betsey Blake, a daughter of Aaron Blake, of Walpole, and her death occurred in Walpole, July 6, 1865.

Maynard Boyden, the eldest of the children of Harvey and Betsey (Blake) Boyden, was born June 12, 1811, in Walpole, where his entire life was passed, his death there occurring August 28, 1886. On the 8th of June, 1836, he wedded Miss Mary Bell, of Canton, who died October 23, 1895, when eighty-six years of age.

Porter Storer Boyden, who was the second of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Boyden, was born September 21, 1838, in Walpole, and in his early life the father removed with his family to Southbridge. He was a spinner and weaver and was foreman of Clark's Mill. Later he spent a few years at Southbridge but afterward returned to Walpole, where he took one-half of his father's farm and devoted his attention to the cultivation of the fields. He was also a millwright and carpenter and his was an active and busy life which commanded for him the respect and confidence of all with whom he came in contact. His religious faith was that of the Unitarian church and in politics he was a staunch republican.

Porter S. Boyden is largely indebted to the common schools of Walpole for the educational privileges he enjoyed. After putting aside his textbooks he took up carpenter work in connection with his father and was thus employed for several years. He then began building operations on his own account and largely concentrated his efforts upon the erection of dwelling houses. He has built several of the finest homes in Walpole and did much contract work, which made heavy demands upon his time and energy and which gained for him in the course of years a very substantial competence.

On the 30th of December, 1866, Mr. Boyden was united in marriage to Miss Julia E. Hartshorn, of Walpole, who passed away July 26, 1873. He later wedded Julia Ella Hale, a daughter of Charles Hale and Julia (Pike) Hale, of Lowell, Massachusetts. By his first marriage Mr. Boyden had one child, Bertha Elizabeth, who is now the wife of George W. Poore, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, who is connected with the American Writing Paper Company. There were three children born of Mr. Boyden's second marriage: Maynard H., who married Edith Barlow, a daughter of Henry Barlow, of Walpole, and who is connected with the Cumner-Jones



Company of Boston but makes his home with his father; Ella Belle, who is a teacher of Winthrop, Massachusetts; and Dana E., at home. The family residence is at No. 119 Common street, in Walpole, and was erected by Mr. Boyden. His second wife died August 18, 1908, and his son and wife now make their home with him.

Politically Mr. Boyden is a republican and for three years he filled the office of assessor. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons, belonging to the blue lodge at Norwood and also to the chapter. He is connected with the United Workmen and he holds to the religious faith of his ancestors. His grandfather was a deacon of the Unitarian church and for over thirty years Mr. Boyden of this review has been church treasurer. He retired from active business in 1910 to enjoy a well earned rest and the competence which he acquired now supplies him with all of the comforts and some of the luxuries of life. His has been an active, useful and honorable career. His business path was never strewn with the wreck of other men's fortunes, but through efficiency and expert workmanship he gained the patronage which was accorded him and which brought to him the measure of prosperity that is today his.

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### HERBERT TABER WHITMAN.

Herbert Taber Whitman, of Quincy, is senior partner in the firm of Whitman & Howard, well known civil engineers of Boston, and is a prominent figure in connection with banking interests and the development of real estate activity in the city of his residence. He was born in Pembroke, Massachusetts, December 19, 1847, and is a son of Seth and Mary T. (Mann) Whitman. The father was a direct descendant of John Whitman, of Buckingham, England, who on coming to the new world settled in Weymouth, Massachusetts, in 1635. Seth Whitman was a carpenter by trade and was prominent in connection with public affairs of Pembroke, where he served for many years as treasurer and also occupied the office of postmaster.

Herbert T. Whitman acquired a public school education in Pembroke and also spent two terms as a student in the Hanover Academy of Massachusetts. He took up the study of architecture and engineering under the late Luther Briggs, of Boston, a well known architect and engineer of that city, whose office he entered in 1863, completing his course of study there in 1869. In 1870 he opened an

office of his own in Boston for the practice of civil engineering and has since formed a partnership under the present firm style of Whitman & Howard. The firm has a high professional standing and is accorded a liberal clientage. Mr. Whitman is also identified with important business interests in Quincy. He served as trustee of the Quincy Savings Bank and in 1916 was elected to the presidency. For many years he has been president of the Wollaston Cooperative Bank and he has taken a very active part in real estate development in Quincy. For many years he has been local representative of the Adams Real Estate Trust Company, which has done most of the important real estate development work of the city, leading to its substantial development according to the most advanced ideas of city building.

With community interests Mr. Whitman has been closely identified. He served in 1889 and 1890 as a member of the first city council and for three years he was chairman of the Quincy water committee. He filled the office of member of the Quincy sewer commission for three years and during two years of that time acted as its chairman. In politics he is an independent republican, usually giving his support to the party, and yet hesitating not to cast an independent ballot if his judgment dictates the wisdom of such a course.

In 1874 Mr. Whitman was united in marriage to Miss Albertina M. Marks, a daughter of John M. and Anna Marks. Their children are: Mrs. Anna G. Homer; John G., who is a civil engineer; and two who have passed away. The religious faith of the family is that of the Congregational church.

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### WARREN KEITH GILMORE.

A well spent and honorable career was that of Warren Keith Gilmore, now deceased. His genuine worth commanded for him the respect and confidence of all with whom he came in contact and his indefatigable energy and persistency of purpose brought to him a substantial measure of success. He was born in Medfield, Massachusetts, October 9, 1836, and was a son of Charles Pickney and Elmira (Keith) Gilmore, who were also natives of the old Bay state, the father having been born in Wrentham, February 1, 1803. He attended the district school at Pondville until he reached the age of fifteen years and later he concentrated his efforts upon work upon the homestead farm. He was afterward employed by the month as a farm hand and later he managed several farms, which he oper-



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ated on the shares. He afterward bought the Preston Pond place, which he cultivated for a time but ultimately retired from active farm life and resided with his son Joseph, passing away at his home on the 13th of April, 1872. His wife was born at Barre, Vermont, June 11, 1806, and had almost reached the ninety-fourth milestone on life's journey when on the 29th of March, 1900, she was called to her final rest.

Warren Keith Gilmore was a little lad of but six years when his parents removed to Wrentham and in the district schools he acquired his education. Through the period of his boyhood he assisted his father in farm work until he reached the age of fifteen years, after which he spent three years learning the boot making trade. Subsequently he was employed in straw shops at Norfolk and for three years he worked in the blocking room of William E. George's straw shop at Wrentham. He next turned his attention to the livery business, which he carried on independently, remaining successfully in that field of business for fifteen years. During fourteen years of that time he also operated the mail stage to Norfolk, for which he received a salary of nine hundred dollars per year. On the 11th of August, 1867, he lost his entire business by fire and there was no insurance upon it. He rebuilt his place but decided at the time to give up the livery business and engage in the flour and grain trade. This plan he pursued and conducted his business very successfully to the time of his death, which occurred in January, 1917. Thirteen years before he admitted his four sons to a partnership under the firm style of W. K. Gilmore & Sons. The business has constantly broadened in scope and George now has charge of the interests of the firm at Wrentham, while Frank and Charles conduct the business at Walpole. The other son, Fred, has now withdrawn from the business and is devoting his attention to farming at Wrentham. The firm also has branch houses at Franklin and at Norfolk.

Mr. Gilmore was married twice. He first wedded Evelyn Capen, of Milford, Massachusetts, in 1857, and she passed away in Wrentham, April 7, 1862, leaving one child, Evelyn, who was born in March, 1862, and is now the wife of F. E. George. On the 14th of November, 1865, Mr. Gilmore was again married, his second union being with Ellen Maria Rand, who was born in Wrentham, Massachusetts, July 28, 1845, a daughter of David A. and Harriett C. (Austin) Rand, who were natives of Norfolk county. The father was a wood merchant of Providence, Rhode Island, throughout his entire life and passed away at the age of fifty-eight years, while his wife died in 1903. Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore had a family of four

children: George, Frank, Charles and Fred, all of whom have become valued and respected business men of Norfolk county.

Mr. Gilmore was a director of the Wrentham National Bank and he occupied an enviable position in business circles owing to his enterprising spirit, his indefatigable energy and his intelligent direction of his efforts. His political allegiance was given to the republican party and his religious faith was that of the Congregational church. He occupied a fine home on Franklin street, near the Square, in Wrentham, and when he passed away his death was the occasion of deep and widespread regret. All who knew him respected him for his genuine worth and his many excellent traits of character gained for him a circle of friends that was almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintance.

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### FRED D. LEONARD.

Fred D. Leonard, treasurer of the Stoughton Trust Company and thus an active factor in financial circles of Stoughton, where since 1911 he has made his home, was born at New Lebanon, New York, November 23, 1874, and is a son of Hiram E. and Mary L. (Richmond) Leonard, also natives of New Lebanon, New York. The father was a farmer and followed that occupation throughout his entire life in the Empire state save for the period of the Civil war, when he responded to the country's call for troops, putting aside all business and personal considerations so that he might aid in defense of the Union. He served with the Ninth Regiment of New York Volunteer Sharpshooters, with which he was connected for nine months. His health became seriously impaired during his army experience and he returned to New York, where he concentrated his efforts upon agricultural pursuits throughout his remaining days, his death occurring in January, 1885. His widow is still living and yet makes her home at New Lebanon, New York.

Fred D. Leonard was reared in his native city and mastered the branches of learning taught in the public schools. He afterward accepted the position of assistant postmaster, which office he filled for four years, and at twenty years of age he went to Boston with the idea of attending business college there. Instead, however, he changed his plans, accepting a position with the International Trust Company of Boston, and thus received practical instead of theoretical training in business. That he proved capable, efficient and faith-

ful is indicated in the fact that he remained with that company for fifteen years. On the expiration of that period he removed to Stoughton, where he took up his abode in 1911, and in company with others organized the Stoughton Trust Company which is capitalized for one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars and which now has a surplus of twenty-five thousand dollars. The deposits of the bank at the present time amount to one million, seventy-three thousand dollars and the institution is in a most flourishing condition. The business methods employed have led to splendid results and the policy of the house is one which will bear the closest investigation and scrutiny, for the officers have ever recognized the fact that the bank is most worthy of patronage which most carefully safeguards the interests of its depositors. The officers of the bank are: Guy A. Ham, president; Ira F. Burnham, vice president; James D. Henderson, vice president; Fred D. Leonard, treasurer; and Louis W. Cutting, actuary. They erected a modern building which they occupied on the 10th of February, 1917. It is a most attractive structure, built in the old colonial style, and its equipment is thoroughly modern.

On the 26th of September, 1905, Mr. Leonard was united in marriage to Miss Emma R. Rein, of Webster, Massachusetts, and they have two children: Constance, who was born June 25, 1907, and Richmond, born February 18, 1914.

The parents are members of the Congregational church and Mr. Leonard is identified with the Masonic fraternity and with the Sons of Veterans. Politically he is a republican and has served as treasurer of the public safety committee, while at the present time he is the treasurer of the Red Cross Chapter at Stoughton. He is also connected with the board of trade and his cooperation and aid are ever given to well directed plans and projects for the general good. In matters of citizenship none questions his loyalty and his cooperation can ever be counted upon to upbuild community, commonwealth and country.

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### PATRICK O'LOUGHLIN.

Patrick O'Loughlin, a substantial citizen of Norfolk county and one of the most prominent representatives of the Boston bar, was born in County Clare, Ireland, July 16, 1850, a son of Patrick and Katherine (Moloney) O'Loughlin. They were married in Ire-

land and the father there engaged in the shoe business but died in that country in early manhood. The mother afterward came to America with her family in 1864 and settled in Charlestown, Massachusetts, where she passed away in 1872.

Patrick O'Loughlin was the youngest in a family of four children and in his early boyhood attended the Christian Brothers School in Ireland and after coming to the new world he was a pupil in the public schools of Boston, Massachusetts. He left school, however, at an early age in order to help provide for the family. He secured employment along various lines of labor until 1877, when he entered upon the study of law, having in the meantime saved his earnings until the sum was sufficient to enable him to meet his expenses while qualifying for the bar. He began reading law in the office of Sumner Albee, Esq., a leading Boston lawyer, who directed his studies for several years, and later he entered the Boston University Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1878, and was admitted to the bar in 1879. He then opened an office in Boston and with the passing years has made steady progress and today ranks with the leading attorneys of the city. He has always given his attention to probate law and has attained prominence by reason of his skill in that department of jurisprudence. Mr. O'Loughlin has been tendered many public positions, but these have been steadfastly declined save that he has been registrar of voters in the town of Brookline for fifteen years and chairman of the board for six years. Along strictly professional lines he has connection with the Boston Bar Association and with the Massachusetts State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. Aside from his profession his activities extend into banking circles, where he is known as one of the trustees of the Brookline Savings Bank. Mr. O'Loughlin was appointed by Governor Walsh as a member of the Norfolk County Agricultural School and has recently been reappointed by Governor McCall for a further term of four years.

On the 5th of June, 1884, Mr. O'Loughlin was united in marriage to Miss Katherine Kearns, of Boston, a daughter of Patrick and Katherine Kearns, and to them have been born five children. Joseph P., born in Boston in 1885, is a graduate of the Brookline schools and enlisted in the Hundred and First United States Field Artillery now in France. Mrs. Alice C. Hennessey, a native of Brookline and a graduate of Notre Dame Academy, was married to Mr. William J. Hennessey in 1911, and has three children; she is a member of the Red Cross. Gertrude F., born in Brookline,



is a graduate of the schools of that place and also of Notre Dame Academy, and is now an active member of the Red Cross. Francis A. is a law student in the Boston University and now a member of the United States Naval Reserve Corps. Edward K. is engaged in business at Jamaica Plain, Boston. He is in Division 1, Class A, and may be called to the colors any day.

In politics Mr. O'Loughlin is a well known supporter of the democratic party. He is very active in Catholic circles and is a communicant of St. Mary's Church of the Assumption in Brookline. He was at one time president of the Charlestown Catholic Lyceum Association and was formerly president of the Boston Catholic Union. He has been corporation counsel of the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters and was president of the Charitable Irish Society on its one hundred and seventy-fifth anniversary in 1912, it having been organized in Boston in 1737. Its celebration was honored by the presence of Hon. William Howard Taft, then president of the United States. He is likewise a member of the Irish-American Historical Society of America, being deeply interested in all that pertains to the history of city and state. His professional prominence is marked by the range of his professional attainments and his ability is attested by colleagues and contemporaries, who regard him as one of the foremost lawyers of Boston.

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### OLIVER J. BARR.

Holding to the highest standards in printing, Oliver J. Barr is a prominent representative of the Norwood Press, being president of the firm of J. S. Cushing & Company. In this connection he has been largely instrumental in establishing ideal relations in connection with the printing business, not only in advancing the standards of production but also in improving conditions under which employes work. His efforts have been largely resultant in building up a model establishment and while his business has reached proportions that make extensive demands upon his energies he yet finds time and opportunity to coöperate in plans and movements for the general good and is putting forth earnest effort in behalf of making Norwood a model municipality. Mr. Barr is a native of Boston. He was born in 1863, a son of Peter and Jane (Leonard) Barr. The father was a native of Scotland and in early manhood crossed the

Atlantic to America, establishing his home in Boston, where he was married. Both he and his wife have now passed away.

Spending his youthful days under the parental roof, Oliver J. Barr attended the schools of Cambridge and afterward began learning the printing business in Boston. His father was a bookbinder and whether inherited tendency, environment or natural predilection had most to do with shaping the choice of the life work of Oliver J. Barr it is impossible to determine. That the choice was wisely made is indicated by the results. He was fourteen years of age when in 1877 he took up the printing business in the employ of the firm of Rand & Avery. The following year he became an apprentice with the J. S. Cushing Company, which established business in a little room sixteen feet square at the corner of Federal and Milk streets in Boston, the composition work being done by the founder of the business, Josiah Stearns Cushing, while Mr. Barr as apprentice was the only assistant. The business steadily grew and developed, however, and with the expansion of his trade Mr. Cushing removed to Hawley street and at that time his compositors numbered fifteen. When the business was established on Pearl street his trade demanded the employment of thirty compositors and with the removal to High street forty men were in the employ of the company. This number was increased to sixty and the business was established at Purchase and Pearl streets in Boston. Mr. Cushing was a resident of Norwood, as was also James Berwick, of the Berwick & Smith Company, printers of Boston. By reason of this fact the two gentlemen determined to move their businesses to Norwood, which was accomplished under the name of the Norwood Press. The two companies of which these gentlemen were the head were joined also by the firm of E. Fleming & Company of Boston, each, however, retaining its identity, the J. S. Cushing Company having charge of the typesetting and electrotyping, the Berwick & Smith Company of the press work and E. Fleming & Company of the bookbinding. Of them it has been written: "These three are joint owners of the extensive premises, now ivy clad and embowered among trees, known as the Norwood Press and they work coöperatively in manufacturing." With the removal of the business of the Cushing Company to Norwood and the establishment of the latter plant their working force was increased to one hundred and fifty compositors and at the present writing they have two hundred and fifty employes in the composing room and electrotpe foundry. In the meantime, Mr. Barr, the original apprentice, was constantly working his way upward and in 1889 had become foreman of the business, while in 1896 he

was advanced to the position of superintendent. In 1898 he became manager and one of the stockholders and in 1907, upon the incorporation of the business with Mr. Cushing as the president and treasurer, Mr. Barr was elected vice president and assistant treasurer. He succeeded to the presidency upon the death of Mr. Cushing in 1913, and his brothers, Robert T. and Donald D. Barr, together with James S. Cox and Louis E. Flye, constitute the board of directors. Henry Lewis Bullen, writing in the *American Bulletin* under the title of *Eminent American Printers*, speaks of the Cushing establishment as follows: "The conditions under which this great book-making establishment is operated are ideal and progressively efficient. A large part of the product is scientific and college textbooks and learned works in various languages, besides much of general literature and the better class of fiction. As 'quality first' is Mr. Barr's principle there is more type set by hand at the Norwood Press than in any other establishment in America. In addition there is an extensive plant of machines for mechanical composition of a less particular character. There is no piece work, all employes being on a wage basis, with special consideration for veteran employes. In Mr. Barr's modest advertisements, the following guiding principles are announced: '1. To supply the highest class of product at reasonable prices. 2. To make its chief aim the satisfaction of its customers. 3. To perform whatever it promises.' Upon these principles, with thorough practical knowledge and careful and progressive management, to Mr. Barr belongs the credit of having made a conspicuous success of a business devoted exclusively to type composition of the highest quality."

On the 16th of July, 1890, in Cambridge, Massachusetts, Mr. Barr was united in marriage to Miss Luella I. Odde and they have become parents of two children, Mabel R. and Oliver J. In politics Mr. Barr is a republican and is deeply interested in all those questions which have to do with the progress and upbuilding of the town in which he makes his home. What the Norwood Press has been to Norwood is indicated in the fact that when the business was established there the town contained a population of four thousand. Today its population surpasses the eleven thousand mark and all of the representatives of the Norwood Press have throughout the intervening period been most active in holding to high standards of citizenship and of civic interests. Mr. Barr has taken most active and helpful part in advancing the work of general progress and improvement here, desiring that Norwood should become a model municipality, and he has done excellent work as one of the

selectmen. Fraternally he is a Royal Arch Mason and his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Congregational church. He is likewise well known in club circles, being identified with the Boston Typothetae and the City Club of Boston, the Aldine Club of New York and the Norfolk Golf Club of Dedham. His life has not only been devoted to elevating the standards of book printing in America but also to the advancement of all interests which work for the uplift of the individual and the betterment of the community and in each field he has shown himself to be a man of conspicuous ability, whose efforts have been far-reaching and resultant.

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### AMBROSE J. GALLISON, M. D.

In the death of Dr. Ambrose J. Gallison, Franklin lost one of its most valued citizens, a man highly esteemed and respected not only because of his professional worth and ability, but also by reason of his marked personal worth and his devotion to the best interests of community, commonwealth and country. He stood for high ideals in manhood and in citizenship and the worth of his character was acknowledged by all who knew him. He was born in Woodstock, Maine, August 29, 1856, and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Gallison, also natives of the Pine Tree state. Dr. Gallison prepared for his professional career as a medical student in Dartmouth College, from which he was graduated with the class of 1887. He then located in Franklin, in which town he continued to reside until the time of his death, and won a reputation as a most skilled and able physician his ability ranking him with the men of eminence in his profession in Norfolk county. He was also a director of the Benjamin Franklin Savings Bank of Franklin and was thus actively identified with the financial institutions of his section of the county.

Dr. Gallison was married three times. He first wedded Miss Mabel Eastman, of Woodstock, Maine, and to them was born a son, Dr. James Murry Gallison, now a prominent practicing surgeon of Boston, who is on the staff of the Massachusetts General Hospital of that city. On the 24th of June, 1891, Dr. Gallison was again married, his second union being with Miss Mary E. Thayer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Davis Thayer. Mrs. Gallison passed away May 2, 1904, leaving one son, Davis Thayer, born September 8, 1893, who is now an enlisted soldier in the National Army at the Army Medical School, Washington, D. C. It was on the 6th of



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June, 1905, that Dr. Gallison was married to Mrs. Mima (Allen) Holmes, of Franklin, a daughter of Thomas B. and Martha Miller (Metcalf) Allen. She came of a very prominent and representative family of Massachusetts. Her ancestors were of distinguished lineage and were among the first residents of this section of the state.

Dr. Gallison was a Mason, connected with both the York and Scottish Rites. He belonged to the Excelsior lodge, to Miller Chapter, R. A. M., Woonsocket Council, R. & S. M., and Milford Commandery, K. T., while in the Scottish Rite he was connected with Olivet Chapter of the Rose Croix and Massachusetts Consistory, S. P. R. S. He was also identified with King David Lodge, I. O. O. F. Along strictly professional lines he had membership in the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Medical Society, the Massachusetts Medico-Legal Society and the Thurber Medical Association of Norfolk County, of which he served as secretary for fifteen years, acting in that capacity at the time of his death, which occurred on the 13th of February, 1918. He was long a devoted and valued member of the Congregational church and served on its prudential committee and he was also identified with the Universalist Society of Maine. His fellow townsmen, appreciative of his worth and ability, continued him in the office of selectman of Franklin for eight years and for a similar period he was a member of the board of education.

In his chosen profession Dr. Gallison's career was determined by the spirit of progress which underlay all that he did. He held to the highest standards and put forth every effort that would advance his efficiency and render him still better qualified to cope with the intricate and complex problems which always confront the physician in his efforts to restore health and check the ravages of disease. He was very conscientious in diagnosing his cases and his judgment was justified in the results which attended his efforts. He was well known as a leading physician and surgeon of Franklin and he enjoyed in full measure the trust and confidence of his fellow representatives of the profession. A man of genuine worth was called when on the 13th of February, 1918, Dr. Gallison passed to the home beyond. The local papers spoke of him as "a man quick at decisions, of excellent judgment, outspoken in his convictions, and one whose position upon any vital question was never an equivocal one. He made no claims to always being right, but he conducted his private as well as his civil life on the basis of doing his duty unflinchingly and faithfully. When he differed from his colleagues it was always courteously. He was not unduly sensitive to criticism, which made it the

easier for him to do his duty as he saw it. He was an excellent companion, generous and jovial, and was an ideal man in the sick room, to which he always brought a spirit of good cheer and helpfulness which rarely failed to react helpfully upon his patient." His was a life well spent in the service of his fellowmen and Franklin could truly term him a "beloved physician." The greatest tribute to his memory is the sincere affection in which he was held by all with whom he came in contact through professional or social relations.

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### EDMUND GROVER.

Edmund Grover, a civil engineer of East Walpole, is a representative of one of the old families of this section of the state. He was born April 7, 1855, at the corner of East and Short streets in East Walpole, and traces his ancestry back to David and Rebecca Grover, who had a family of twelve children, namely: David, Jesse, Isaac, Lemuel, Joseph, Anna, Luther, Jacob, Darius, Chloe, Tryphena and Rebecca. The eldest of the family, David Grover, was born in October, 1775, in Mansfield, Massachusetts, and married Martha Burr, of Providence. They had seven children: Mercy, Abby, George, Martha, Lindoll, Edmund and Robert Barclay. The sixth in order of birth, Edmund Grover, was born September 21, 1803, and died in April, 1836. He was the grandfather of Edmund Grover, whose name introduces this review, and he removed from Mansfield to Walpole and became connected with the industry of spring making at Plymptonville. He married Sally Farrington, of Dedham, and they had a family of four children: Henry Edmund, who died in California; Lydia Ann, who became the wife of Phineas Coburn, of Lowell; David Farrington; and Sarah Burr, who became the wife of Herbert A. Lewis, of Providence, Rhode Island. The second son, David Farrington Grover, was born March 6, 1831, and died August 31, 1909. He was only five years of age at the death of his father and when still a boy he entered the employ of F. W. Bird. He became the inventor of several processes and machines for improving the manufacture of paper and at two different times operated a mill on his own account. He was a very thorough student of religious philosophy and was somewhat of a disciple of Thomas Paine and Robert Ingersoll. During his active life he erected several houses in East Walpole, doing much of the work himself. He married Ann Maria Lewis, who was born at East



Walpole, October 27, 1833, a daughter of Warren and Mary (Morse) Lewis.

Their son, Edmund Grover, pursued his education in the Walpole high school and in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in which he completed a course in civil engineering with the class of 1877. He afterward engaged in railroad construction in Illinois and in Iowa but returned from the west to again identify his interests with those of East Walpole and has since practiced his profession in Massachusetts. His work has been of an important character.

In Milford, New Hampshire, at the home of John McLane, on the 25th of December, 1883, Mr. Grover was united in marriage to Miss Isabel Joudro, a daughter of Charles and Mary (Hay) Joudro. The father of the former came from France and settled in the province of Quebec, while Mary Hay was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and was first married to Malcolm McLane. Their son, John McLane, was governor of New Hampshire and it was at his home that the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Grover was celebrated. They became the parents of three children: Edmund Stanley, who married Ida Louise Pelletier, of Whitinsville, Massachusetts; Isabel Shirley, who became the wife of Fred V. Bell, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, and has a son, Vernon Grover; and Arnold Farrington, who married Belle E. Wells, of Willimantic, Connecticut, and has a daughter, Christine Wells.

Mr. Grover is a member of Walpole Grange, No. 214, Pomona and State Grange, and for four years was lecturer of the Walpole Grange, also lecturer of the Pomona Grange and master of Walpole Grange. In other words he has taken a very active part in the work of the Grange and has done much to advance its interests. From 1900 until 1906 he was a member of the school board of Walpole and from 1900 until 1903 was tree warden, and at all times he manifests a public-spirited interest in the general good.

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### THOMAS S. McDERMOTT.

Thomas S. McDermott is the vice president of the Clark, Cutler, McDermott Company, engaged in the manufacture of wool blankets at Franklin, where his birth occurred April 4, 1874. He is a son of James and Rose (Mullen) McDermott, who were natives of Ireland but were married in Milford, Norfolk county, where the father followed the occupation of farming until his death. When

called to his final rest his remains were interred in the St. Marie cemetery. The mother is still living and makes her home in Franklin. They had a family of four children: John, who is living in Franklin; Sarah, the wife of Charles Stevens, also of Franklin; Thomas S. of this review; and Mrs. Rose Hines, who has departed this life. The religious faith of the family has always been that of the Catholic church and the father in his political views was a stalwart democrat. Whatever success he achieved or enjoyed was attributable entirely to his own efforts, for he started out in the business world empty-handed and by persistent effort and energy worked his way upward.

Thomas S. McDermott acquired a common school education and when a lad of fourteen years made his initial step in the business world by entering the employ of the Ray Fabric Mills Company at Unionville. That he was efficient, faithful and trustworthy is indicated in the fact that he remained in the employ of that company for twenty-one years and steadily working his way upward he occupied the position of superintendent during the last two years of his connection with the business. His promotions had come to him in recognition of his genuine worth and capability and he enjoyed the unqualified confidence of the company which he represented. He was ambitious, however, to engage in business on his own account and in 1911 he assisted in organizing the Clark, Cutler, McDermott Company, which was incorporated, a factory being established for the manufacture of horse blankets. They built a factory on Fisher street in Franklin, the partners in the concern being William Cutler, who is now president of the company; Thomas McDermott, who is vice president, and Walter A. Clark, who is the treasurer. All three were active in the organization of the business in 1911 and have since been connected with its conduct. They erected a fine brick factory, equipped it with the latest improved machinery necessary in their line and have since given their attention to the manufacture of horse blankets and kindred goods. They further extended their interests in 1917 through the purchase of another large factory which had formerly been the straw manufacturing plant of E. A. Staples & Company. They now employ seventy-five men as operatives in the two factories and their business is steadily growing along substantial lines. The officers of the company are men of broad experience and their enterprise and ability are factors in the growing success of this concern.

On the 22d of October, 1898, Mr. McDermott was united in marriage to Miss Mary Collins, a daughter of Daniel Collins, of

Woonsocket, Rhode Island. Her parents have now passed away and were laid to rest in the cemetery at Woonsocket. Mr. and Mrs. McDermott have become the parents of two children: Roland, who is now a student in Holy Cross College at Worcester, Massachusetts, and Marguerite, who is attending the Jesus Marie convent at Woonsocket.

The religious faith of the parents is that of the Catholic church. Both Mr. and Mrs. McDermott are widely known in Franklin, where they have a large circle of farm friends, and he is classed with the representative business men, energy and determination having constituted the foundation upon which he has built his success. As the years have gone by he has crowned his labors with successful achievement and is today one of the prosperous men of Franklin.

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### EDMOND H. BOWLER.

Edmond H. Bowler, filling the office of postmaster at Dedham is numbered among the native sons of Norfolk county, his birth having occurred at Stoughton in 1864. His father, Edmond Bowler, was born in County Cork, Ireland, in 1840, and came with his parents to the United States in early childhood, the family home being established in Stoughton, where Edmond Bowler was reared to manhood and was married. He wedded Julia Murphy and both have now passed away, the father having died in 1885, while the mother's death occurred in 1883.

The youthful days of Edmond H. Bowler were passed in Stoughton and the public schools of that place afforded him his educational privileges until 1874 when he accompanied his parents on their removal to Canton, Norfolk county. There he again became a public school pupil and eventually finished his education in that place. In 1888, when a young man of twenty-four years, he became a resident of Dedham, where he has since made his home. In the year 1913 he was appointed to the position of postmaster of Dedham by President Wilson and entered upon the duties of the position, which he is now discharging in a very prompt, systematic and capable manner.

In 1887, in Boston, Mr. Bowler was united in marriage to Miss Catherine E. McEvoy, a daughter of the late William McEvoy, who was a resident of Calais, Maine. To Mr. and Mrs. Bowler have

been born two children: Marion, and Edmond Wesley, who was born in 1892. The religious faith of the parents is that of the Catholic church, while politically Mr. Bowler is a democrat. Spending practically his entire life in Dedham, he is well known and has gained a circle of friends that is almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintance. He has many sterling traits of character and his genuine worth has gained for him the high regard of those with whom he has been brought in contact.

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### EDWARD PAYSON BENNETT.

Edward Payson Bennett, actively identified with farming interests at Wrentham, where he was born on the 30th of June, 1848, is a son of Edward R. and Susan (Dale) Bennett. He acquired his education in the district schools of Wrentham and, entering upon his business career, was connected with the jewelry trade for a time. He is now concentrating his efforts and attention upon the development of farm property and excellent results are attending his labors. He has not only figured in connection with commercial and agricultural interests but also as a factor in financial circles and from 1912 until 1917 was a director of the Wrentham National Bank.

In Sheldonville, Massachusetts, on the 20th of May, 1873, Mr. Bennett was united in marriage to Miss Henrietta Nash, a daughter of William H. and Mary (Mountfort) Nash. Having lost his first wife, he was married in Wrentham, November 27, 1883, to Evelyn A. Whiting, a daughter of Elkanah and Mary (White) Whiting. The children of Mr. Bennett are: Florence Payson, the wife of Harry B. Agard; Grace Randall, the wife of Frederick Notman; Bertha Mountfort, the wife of Frank W. Averill; Charles Whiting, who married Grace Knapp; Edward Payson, who married Esther Thomas; Meta Evelyn, who married Harold Wade; and Homer Dale.

Mr. Bennett and his family are of the Congregational faith. He is a member of the Wrentham Board of Trade. His political allegiance has been given to the republican party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise and he has been called upon for service in public office. He was selectman in 1906-1907 and in 1914 was called to represent his state in the general assembly. He has made an excellent record by devotion to duty when in public office and at all times he manifests a public spirit that is most commendable.



E. PAYSON BENNETT



He has ever made his home in Norfolk county, in fact has spent his entire life within its borders, and his sterling traits of character are attested by all with whom he has been associated.

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### NATHAN W. FISHER.

Nathan W. Fisher is assessor of the town of Walpole and is one of the well known and representative citizens of Norfolk county. He has been actively identified with several lines of business and throughout all the passing years he has been as true and loyal in citizenship as when he followed the stars and stripes upon the battlefields of the south, for he is one of the veterans of the Civil war. He was born February 9, 1846, and is a representative of one of the old families of Walpole. The first of the name residing in Walpole of whom there is record was Daniel Fisher, Sr., who was born December 20, 1735, and who died on the 16th of October, 1818. His son, Daniel Fisher, Jr., was born December 7, 1767, and on the 15th of December, 1793, was married to Nabby Lewis, of Walpole. His death occurred October 8, 1854. His family numbered the following named, Isaac, Achsa, Maria, Olive, Lewis, Harriet and Hannah.

Of this family Lewis Fisher was the father of Nathan W. Fisher and was born in Walpole, January 31, 1806. Having arrived at years of maturity he was married on the 31st of October, 1838, to Katherine Bassett, and to them were born five children: Martin Lewis, who died while returning from the Civil war; Simon E., who is living in Worcester, Massachusetts; Nathan W., of this review; Lewis H., who is also a resident of Walpole; and Laura H., who makes her home in Providence, Rhode Island. The father of these children was a farmer and nurseryman, devoting his entire life to those pursuits and occupying the old homestead on Fisher street in North Walpole. He passed away May 26, 1848, while his wife lived to a good old age, her death occurring on the 12th of March, 1913, when she had reached the age of one hundred and one years, two months and ten days. After the death of her husband she remained upon the home farm and there reared her family, continuing to occupy the old homestead until called to her final rest.

Nathan W. Fisher after acquiring a common school education in Walpole assisted in the work of the home farm but was a youth of only sixteen years when, in response to the country's call for troops, he joined the "boys in blue," becoming a member of Company K,

Forty-fourth Massachusetts Infantry. He saw active service throughout the remainder of the war, participating in a number of hotly contested engagements, and at the close of hostilities returned home and through the succeeding quarter of a century divided his time between carpenter work, farming and dairying on the old homestead. He was appointed by President Harrison to the position of postmaster of Walpole and occupied the office for five years. On the expiration of that period he turned his attention to the lumber and wood trade, in which he engaged for twelve years, building up a good business in that connection. At the same time he served as assessor of the town, which office he still fills, and at the same time is engaged in the lumber and wood business, having been accorded a liberal patronage through all the intervening years as a result of his thorough business methods, his honorable dealing and his earnest efforts to please his patrons.

Mr. Fisher has been married twice. He first wedded Mrs. Hannah Katherine Hill, the wedding being celebrated at Wakefield on the 4th of November, 1866. Mrs. Fisher had acted as a nurse in Washington during the period of the Civil war. She passed away August 27, 1878, and was laid to rest in Rural cemetery. Later Mr. Fisher was married to Alma V. Winslow, a daughter of Nathaniel B. and Susanna (Clapp) Smith, who were natives of Maine and later became residents of Walpole, where their last days were passed. To Mr. and Mrs. Fisher were born three children. Fred C., born September 13, 1882, is now conducting the home farm. Bernard W., born September 6, 1884, is a bookkeeper in Walpole. He married Maude Randlett, of Walpole, by whom he has one child, Robert Harrison, born July 3, 1913. Daniel W. Fisher, the youngest of the family, born July 10, 1890, married Frances Whelen, of Boston, where they now reside, and he is manager of the Antique Store. Mrs. Alma Fisher passed away June 22, 1913, and was laid to rest in the Maple Grove cemetery.

Mr. Fisher is a member of the Congregational church and has guided his life by its teachings. For the past eight years he has served as one of the deacons in the church and has ever been a generous contributor to its support. His political allegiance has always been given to the republican party, of which he is a stanch champion. He has not only served as assessor but for six years was a member of the school board of Walpole and for four years was a trustee of the library. He holds membership in the Grange, of which he is a past master, and he has filled all of the offices in that organization. He is also connected with the Ancient Order of United Workmen and



served as recorder for a number of years. He also has membership with the Grand Army of the Republic, has been quartermaster for the past twenty-five years and has also been commander of his post. He is likewise one of the directors of the Walpole Cooperative Bank. His activity along many lines and his deep interest in all those things which are a matter of public concern have made him a valued and representative resident of his section of the county. All who have come in contact with him have learned to know that they have every reason to give him their confidence, goodwill and friendship, for his life has been at all times deserving of the high regard which is uniformly tendered him.

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### FRANK W. VYE.

Frank W. Vye, treasurer of the Randolph Trust Company at Randolph, Norfolk county, was born July 9, 1881, in Woburn, Massachusetts, a son of Frederick W. and Lizzie S. (Wallace) Vye, the former a native of Winchester, Massachusetts, and the latter of Virginia. Mr. Vye was foreman with the Boston Terminal for many years and in 1883 he removed to Randolph, where he conducted a bakery for an extended period. At present he is filling the office of deputy sheriff of Norfolk county, a position which he has occupied for the past ten or twelve years.

Frank W. Vye was two years of age when his parents became residents of Randolph and he acquired his education in the schools of the city and was also for a time a student in Boston University. He afterward went to work for the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company as freight claim adjuster and remained with that corporation for a decade. He afterward entered the employ of the Stoughton Trust Company, with which he was connected for thirteen months, and on the expiration of that period he was elected treasurer of the Randolph Trust Company and one of the organizers in 1915. In June of the same year they erected a modern banking building, to which they removed in January, 1916. The bank is capitalized for sixty thousand dollars and has a surplus of six thousand dollars. It entered upon a prosperous career owing to the wise policy underlying the organization and management and today the bank has four hundred thousand dollars in deposits—an excellent record for so short a period. James D. Henderson, of Brookline, is the president of the bank, with Mr. Vye as the treasurer and active

manager, and his business ability is manifest in the substantial and rapid growth of the bank.

On the 17th of September, 1907, Mr. Vye was united in marriage to Miss Amy E. Tucker, a daughter of C. Edson and Mary E. Abbenzeller) Tucker, who were natives of Randolph, as were the parents of Mr. Tucker. The father was a shoe cutter by trade and followed that business throughout his entire life, passing away October 30, 1913. His wife is still living. To Mr. and Mrs. Vye has been born one child, Tucker M., whose birth occurred August 30, 1909.

In addition to managing the banking interests Mr. Vye conducts an insurance business, handling all kinds of insurance and thus adding materially to his income. Fraternally he is a Mason, belonging to Norfolk Union Lodge, F. & A. M. His religious belief is that of the Congregational church, while his political opinions are indicated in the support which he gives to the republican party at the polls. He is a substantial citizen whose influence is always on the side of progress and improvement, and his developing business powers have brought him into important financial relations.

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#### EDWIN CLAPP.

The life record of Edwin Clapp covered sixty-five years and his activities constituted a valuable contribution to the productive activity of New England, for he long figured as one of the foremost shoe manufacturers of the country. The interests under his control were both carefully planned and thoroughly organized and the results achieved constituted a source of general prosperity as well as of individual wealth, inasmuch as his establishment furnished employment to between four and five hundred people, the trade covering many parts of this country and extending to foreign lands as well. But it was not merely as a business man that Edwin Clapp must be remembered, for he supported many projects for the public good and was constantly extending a helping hand to benevolent projects and to the individual needy as well.

Mr. Clapp was a native son of Massachusetts, his birth having occurred at Scituate, Plymouth county, on the 6th of February, 1844. His parents were James S. and Elizabeth (Bates) Clapp, who were likewise natives of that state. The father was a shoemaker by trade and followed that pursuit throughout his entire life, passing away in 1885, while the death of his wife occurred in 1853.



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Edwin Clapp was reared and educated in East Weymouth, Massachusetts, from the age of seven years, his parents having removed to this place in 1851. When a youth of but twelve years he started out in the business world on his own account and secured a situation in a shoe finishing shop. Gradually he acquainted himself with the business and his increasing efficiency brought him promotion. He carefully saved his earnings until his economy and industry had secured him sufficient capital to embark in business on his own account when he was twenty years of age. On attaining his majority he entered into partnership with his elder brother, James Henry Clapp, under the firm style of J. H. Clapp & Company, a relation that was maintained until the death of the senior member of the firm in 1882, when Edwin Clapp became sole proprietor. At that date he discontinued the sale of his products to the jobbing trade and began soliciting trade from retailers. So successful was he in this that he was soon forced to enlarge his factory and erected an extensive plant near his home on Charles street. In 1901 he admitted his son, David Bates Clapp, to a partnership but soon afterward suffered the loss of this only son, who passed away September 5, 1901, when but twenty-three years of age. The son was well known as an athlete and his father erected the beautiful David Bates Clapp Memorial building with an athletic field adjoining as a monument to him. This is one of the finest buildings of its kind in the state. He also presented an organ to the First Unitarian church at Hingham, Massachusetts, as a memorial to his son, who was a member of the choir there. After the death of his son Mr. Clapp continued the business, incorporating in 1905 under the style of Edwin Clapp & Son, Incorporated, and it has since been conducted under that name in a splendidly equipped plant supplied with all the latest machinery for shoe manufacturing. Mr. Clapp was active in the management of the business until his death, which occurred May 27, 1909, after an illness of four weeks.

In early manhood Mr. Clapp had wedded Frances H. Whiton, of Hingham, Plymouth county, Massachusetts, a daughter of Bela and Hannah (Whiton) Whiton, both of whom were natives of Hingham. Her father was a carriage maker and wheelwright by trade and operated a shop at Hingham throughout his entire life, his labors being terminated in death in 1898. His wife passed away in 1860. Mr. and Mrs. Clapp were the parents of three children: Edith, now the wife of Alfred L. Lincoln, who is president of Edwin Clapp & Son, Incorporated; Eleanor, the wife of Horace R. Drink-

water, who is treasurer of the company; and Davis Bates, deceased. Mrs. Clapp still owns the controlling interest in the business.

In his boyhood and youth Mr. Clapp was a well known ball player and in the early '60s was considered one of the best catchers in the state. He always, therefore, took a deep interest in boys' sports and games and did not a little to promote healthful activity of that character. He had much sympathy with the young, was ever interested in their pleasures and did all in his power to direct their tastes into natural, healthful and beneficial channels. Mr. Clapp was a member of Orphans Hope Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; Pentalph Chapter, R. A. M.; and South Shore Commandery, K. T. He was also affiliated with the First Unitarian church of Hingham and his political allegiance was given to the republican party. He ever stood fearlessly for what he believed to be right, his position never being an equivocal one, and his efforts in behalf of public progress were farreaching, effective and resultant. He was ever guided by high ideals and honorable principles and his record should serve to inspire and encourage others, showing what can be accomplished in a business way and proving conclusively that success and an honored name may be won simultaneously.

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### SOLON ABBOTT, M. D.

Dr. Solon Abbott, whose well appointed office at No. 30 Dean avenue in Franklin, Massachusetts, is an indication of the success which he has achieved in medical and surgical practice, was born in Brookfield, Vermont, December 8, 1856, a son of Sylvester S. Abbott, who was born in Pittsford, Vermont, and was descended from one of three brothers who came to America at an early period in the colonization of the new world, settling at Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Sylvester S. Abbott was a successful farmer of the Green Mountain state and in 1892 removed to Franklin, Massachusetts, where he passed away February 17, 1905. Had he lived three weeks longer he would have reached the age of eighty-one years. In early manhood he had wedded Dolly T. Lyman, a native of Brookfield, Vermont, whose genealogical line is traced back to King George III, the family coming of good old English stock. Mrs. Abbott passed away in April, 1892, at the age of sixty-two years, her death occurring in Franklin, Massachusetts. In the family were three children, of

whom two are living, the older being Dr. Edward C. Abbott, of San Jose, California.

Dr. Solon Abbott was educated in the public schools of Brookfield, in the Normal School of Randolph and in the Barre Academy of Barre, Vermont, thus completing his more specifically literary course. He decided upon the practice of medicine as a life work, after which he matriculated in the University of Vermont, in which he pursued a three years' medical course. Later he entered Hahnemann Medical College of Chicago and won his professional degree upon graduation from that time honored institution as a member of the class of 1882. Following his graduation he immediately began practice at Morrisville, Vermont, where he continued for two years, and then removed to Biddeford, Maine, where he practiced for nine years. On the expiration of that period he came to Franklin in 1894, and has since successfully followed his profession in Franklin. While he continues in general practice he specializes in electro-therapeutics and has attained expert knowledge and skill along that line. He is a member of the Massachusetts Homeopathic Medical Association, the Thurber Medical Association and the New England Association of Physical Therapeutics.

On the 17th of October, 1883, Dr. Abbott was united in marriage in Morrisville, Vermont, to Miss Evvah B. Waite, of Eden, Vermont, a daughter of Horace and Eliza (Leach) Waite, both now deceased. Dr. and Mrs. Abbott have become parents of three children, Gladys Louise, Marjorie Irene and Dorothy Waite.

In politics Dr. Abbott is a progressive. He was elected a member of the school board of Franklin and served in that capacity in an acceptable manner for seven years, acting as chairman of the board for two years. His connection with the office covered the years from 1907 until 1909, then from 1912 until 1916, completing his term in March of the latter year. He has always been deeply interested in the cause of education. After completing his normal school course he taught for eight years, entering upon the work of the profession when a youth of seventeen, and thus secured the funds which enabled him to pay his way through college. He has ever been actuated by a laudable ambition of attaining the highest measure of efficiency possible in anything that he has undertaken and in his professional work he has held to the most advanced standards, recognizing how great is the responsibility that devolves upon the individual in his efforts to allay disease and restore health.

Dr. Abbott is a past master of Excelsior Lodge, A. F. & A. M. He was made a Mason in Brookfield, Vermont, in 1881, and has

ever been most loyal to the teachings and purposes of the craft. He also belongs to the New England Order of Protection, to the Franklin Business Men's Association and to the First Congregational church—connections which indicate the nature, breadth and value of his interests and activities. He says that his greatest heritage was good Christian rearing, the training that came from wise and devoted parents, who not only gave to their children every possible advantage they could afford but who stimulated them along the lines of character development and the cultivation of high ideals.

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### WILFRED H. BARTLETT.

Wilfred H. Bartlett, treasurer of the Emerson Coal & Grain Company, Incorporated, of East Weymouth, and treasurer of the South Shore Coal Company of Hingham, Massachusetts, is a substantial and enterprising business man whose close application and indefatigable energy are strong features in his growing success. He was born at West Pembroke, Maine, July 1, 1871, a son of Pliny H. and Gertrude E. (Gardner) Bartlett, who are natives of Vermont and of Maine respectively. In 1876 the father removed to South Boston, where he worked at his trade of steamfitting. In 1897 he became a resident of East Weymouth, where he has since resided, and his wife is also living.

Wilfred H. Bartlett was reared in Boston and acquired his education in its schools, being but five years of age when his parents removed to that city. He was graduated from Comer's Commercial School following the completion of his public school course and then accepted a position as bookkeeper, being employed in that way until 1908, when he engaged in the poultry business in East Weymouth, Norfolk county. Thus he continued for about eight years, on the expiration of which period he sold out and purchased Mr. Emerson's interest in the Emerson Coal & Grain Company, Incorporated, the other member of the firm being James D. Bosworth. They conduct a large business and operate an extensive mill, dealing in all kinds of grain and also handling hay and coal. By reason of careful management, watchfulness of all details of their business, indefatigable energy and honorable dealing they have built up a trade of large and gratifying proportions and theirs is today one of the profitable commercial concerns of the city.

In June, 1897, Mr. Bartlett was united in marriage to Miss Angie



May Perry. Fraternally he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and his religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and he keeps well informed on all the vital questions and issues of the day. He is never remiss in the duties of citizenship yet he does not seek nor desire public office as a reward for party fealty, preferring to concentrate his efforts and attention upon his business affairs, and he is now treasurer of the South Shore Coal Company of Hingham as well as treasurer of the Emerson Coal Company and is thus controlling important interests. His office is at the corner of Wharf and East streets in East Weymouth and in addition he is the owner of the old Dizer estate, comprising three and a half acres, on which is erected an attractive and commodious residence which he and his wife now occupy.

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#### CHARLES T. FARRELL.

Charles T. Farrell is filling the office of postmaster in the city of Stoughton, where his birth occurred on the 9th of September, 1873, his parents being Thomas and Mary E. (Drake) Farrell, who were likewise natives of Stoughton. The father was a shoe worker, devoting his entire life to that line of business, and he always remained a resident of Stoughton until called to his final home on the 2d of January, 1888. His widow still survives and following the death of her first husband she became the wife of Martin H. Carr, who passed away in October, 1917.

No event of unusual importance occurred to vary the routine of life for Charles T. Farrell in his boyhood and youth, which were passed in his native city, his time being largely devoted to the acquirement of a public school education. When his textbooks were put aside he began work in a shoe factory and was engaged in that way until February 16, 1916, when he was appointed to the position of postmaster, and in that capacity he has since served.

On the 4th of October, 1899, Mr. Farrell was united in marriage to Miss Annie T. Willis, a daughter of Henry F. and Maria (McDonald) Willis, who are natives of Ireland. They came to America in early life and established their home in Massachusetts, where the father engaged in business as a tanner. About 1887 he became foreman with the Stoughton Rubber Works and has held that position throughout the intervening period, covering three decades.

His wife is also living. Mr. and Mrs. Farrell have become the parents of nine children, Eldon W., Helen G., Dorothy, Claire E., Clarence F., Charles T., Elva M., Naomi and Richard O. Five of the number are now attending school.

Mr. Farrell has served as secretary and as chairman of the democratic town committee for a period of two years and has always given his political allegiance to the democratic party and has done everything in his power to advance its interests. His grandfather, John Farrell, was the first Irishman that ever settled in Stoughton. He took up his abode here when a youth of seventeen years and died at the age of eighty-four. He was of the Catholic faith and to that faith the family have since adhered, Mr. Farrell being a communicant of the church at Stoughton. He is a grand knight of the Knights of Columbus and he belongs to the Hibernian Lodge, of which he has been president. He has always lived in Stoughton and his life history is as an open book which all may read. His career has been one of diligence and his perseverance and energy have brought him to the creditable position which he occupies in the public regard.

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### JOHN H. STETSON.

John H. Stetson, treasurer of the Weymouth Trust Company, has for over forty-two years played an important role in the financial circles of his part of the state, for he has been connected with the same institution since 1876, although the present name was adopted in 1916. The Weymouth Trust Company was formerly known as the First National Bank of South Weymouth.

John H. Stetson was born in East Sumner, Maine, October 28, 1849, a son of Solomon M. and Naomi (Bonney) Stetson, natives of that city. The father was a farmer by occupation and followed that pursuit all his life, being successful along agricultural lines. He has passed away, as has also his wife, who died in 1859.

John H. Stetson was reared and educated in his native state, there completing his learning, preparing himself for a business career. In 1870 he came to South Weymouth and found employment in a factory and in 1876 he accepted a position with the First National Bank and became its cashier. For forty years, or until August, 1916, he held this important office and contributed much to the success of the institution. He proved himself a progressive yet conservative



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banker, doing all within his power to extend the business relations of his institution and at the same time taking scrupulous care of the interests of its stockholders and depositors. In August, 1916, the First National Bank was changed into a trust company under the name of the Weymouth Trust Company and Mr. Stetson was elected treasurer of the same. He has since continued in this position and has vigorously taken up the larger scope of their business. The Weymouth Trust Company is located in the Fogg building on Columbian square and occupies modern and well appointed offices, affording its patrons the best conveniences of banking. Its capital is one hundred thousand dollars, its deposits exceed four hundred thousand dollars, its surplus and profits thirty-five thousand dollars and its resources half a million dollars. They not only do a general trust business but also receive checking accounts and savings accounts. The interest paid on the latter is four per cent, while on checking accounts of over five hundred dollars an interest rate is also paid. George L. Barnes, of South Weymouth, is the president of the institution.

John H. Stetson was united in marriage to Miss Emily V. White, a daughter of the Hon. Benjamin F. and Mary A. (Tirrell) White, natives of Weymouth. The father was a prominent banker and one of the chief factors in organizing the First National Bank of South Weymouth in 1864. He was not only well known as a financier but also participated in the public life of his city, serving to good purpose in the house of representatives and the state senate. After a very successful business and financial career he retired and crossed the continent to Riverside, California, where he made his home during his remaining years. His death was a shock to the family and the occasion of deep regret to his many friends, as it came very suddenly as the result of an accident, he being thrown out of his carriage and killed. His wife has also passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Stetson have one child, Anna, who married the Hon. George L. Barnes, president of the Weymouth Trust Company and one of the foremost attorneys of Boston. For three years he served in the state senate, being a member of a number of important committees and contributing in formulating a number of laws, which have been of the greatest benefit to the commonwealth. He resides in South Weymouth.

Mr. Stetson has not, however, confined himself to his private interests entirely, but has found time for public service and has served as the town treasurer of South Weymouth since March, 1884, or for more than thirty-four years. He has carefully safeguarded the interests of his community and has contributed toward its sound financial condition. He is also treasurer of the Independent Order of Odd

Fellows Hall Association and has served as such since this organization was founded. He is treasurer of the Fogg trust funds, amounting to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and has administered these funds to the great satisfaction of those interested. Along banking lines he has proved himself capable, conscientious and farseeing and enjoys the complete confidence of all those who have to do with him or the institutions with which he is officially connected. Politically Mr. Stetson is a republican, believing in the principles of this party and giving his loyal support to its candidates and measures although he has never desired political honors for himself. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church and he is interested in its work, never failing to give his help to any movements undertaken in the interests of the growth of the church and its affiliated societies. Fraternally he is well known and is prominent in the Masons, being a member of the blue lodge, the chapter and the commandery, while he also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. The family resides in a handsome home at No. 544 Main street.

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#### DAVID W. CORSON.

No resident of Franklin is more widely or favorably known than David W. Corson, who was long prominently associated with commercial interests as proprietor of a meat market. He was likewise widely known as an auctioneer and, more than that, he has been most active in office, loyally discharging his duties for the interest and benefit of the community which he represents. His life, ever honorable in its purpose, fearless in conduct and stainless in reputation, has commanded for him the respect and confidence of all with whom he has been associated.

Mr. Corson is now in the seventy-ninth year of his age, his birth having occurred at Shrewsbury, Worcester county, Massachusetts, on the 11th of August, 1839. His parents were William W. and Elmira (Foote) Corson, the latter a cousin of Commodore Foote, the distinguished naval commander. The parents were natives of New Hampshire and of Connecticut respectively. The father was a carpenter and builder of Massachusetts for many years and eventually was killed while engaged in the construction of an ice house at Natick, Massachusetts, his remains being interred in Shrewsbury. He was a self-made man, his prosperity being due entirely to his persistent, earnest and intelligently directed efforts. His political

allegiance was given to the democratic party and while he was a firm believer in its principles he was never an office seeker. To him and his wife were born five children: Henry, who was the most prominent architect of Franklin for a number of years and later was equally prominent in Natick; Mary and Ezra, who died in childhood; David W.; and Charles, who was drowned in Uncas pond, near Franklin, when thirty-five years of age.

In his boyhood days David W. Corson became a pupil in the public schools of Whitinsville and Oxbridge, pursuing his studies until he reached the age of fourteen. He afterward worked for others upon a farm for about a year and then entered upon a seven years' apprenticeship to the butchering business in Worcester. At the outbreak of the Civil war, however, all other interests were put aside, for his patriotic spirit was aroused by the attempt of the south to overthrow the Union and the smoke from Fort Sumter's guns had scarcely cleared away when on the 15th of April, 1861, he responded to the call for military aid and joined the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment, which was the first to engage actively in the war, and the first death among the Massachusetts troops was that of a member of this command. The regiment was commanded by Colonel Edward E. Jones and Mr. Corson saw active service under this colonel for three months, when his term of enlistment expired and he was mustered out. Not long afterward, however, he enlisted for nine months' service as a member of the Eleventh Massachusetts Battery, which was assigned to duty with the Army of the Potomac. He enlisted this time for three years' service in the same battery and in September, 1863, he assisted in quelling the draft riot on Cooper street in Boston. During the period of his first term's enlistment he was active in hunting guerrillas and also aided in suppressing the riots in Baltimore. During the period of his later enlistment he participated in a number of hotly contested engagements, including the battles of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania Courthouse, Bethesda's Church, Weldon Railroad, Gaines' Mill, Peebles' Farm, North Anna River, Cold Harbor, Gettysburg and the battle of Appomattox. In fact, he was in twenty-nine general engagements, taking part in the first and last battles of the war, and on many a hotly contested field he proved his valor and his loyalty.

Following the surrender of General Lee, whereby the preservation of the Union became an assured fact, Mr. Corson returned to his home in Franklin, where his brother, Henry W., and his parents had in the meantime removed. Later he went to Fall River, Massachusetts, where he conducted a hotel and meat market from 1866

until 1870. In the latter year he returned to Franklin and established a meat market which he conducted for forty years, becoming one of the best known, most valued and highly respected business men of the city. During that period he also engaged in auctioneering and he is still active to some extent in that way in spite of his advanced years.

Mr. Corson is equally well known for the prominent and helpful part which he has played in the public life of the community. He has been town constable for the past quarter of a century and he is also at present writing overseer of the poor. He has been an appraiser for several years and for more than twenty years he has acted as marshal of the day on occasion of public celebrations. He was largely instrumental in establishing the Boulder monument on the common and he has been keenly interested in all those measures and movements which have had to do with the public welfare or events which have figured upon the pages of Franklin's history.

On the 25th of October, 1866, Mr. Corson was married to Miss Hannah M. Allen, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Allen. She was born in Millbury, Massachusetts, on the 8th of March, 1833. She lost a brother, John J. Allen, in the battle of Balls Bluff Virginia, while he was serving as a member of the Fifteenth Massachusetts Infantry. Her father was a carpenter and shoemaker and for a considerable period resided in Canton, Massachusetts, where both he and his wife lie buried. To Mr. and Mrs. Corson were born three children: Harry S., who is now with his father in business; Maud, who is the wife of Othello S. Brown, of Franklin; and Fred, who died at the age of two years. Mr. and Mrs. Corson celebrated their golden wedding October 25, 1916, the occasion being one of great interest to all who attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Corson attend the Universalist church and in politics Mr. Corson is a stanch republican, having always given his allegiance to the party which was the defense of the Union during the dark days of the Civil war. In 1870 Mr. Corson became a Mason in Excelsior Lodge at Franklin and is now one of the honorary members. He was likewise a charter member of the lodge of Red Men at Franklin but is not connected with the organization at the present time. He still holds membership, however, in the Grand Army of the Republic and has passed all of the chairs in the local post, being now surgeon of Post No. 60 and chairman of its relief committee. Through his membership in its organization he maintains pleasant relations with his old army comrades and while the ranks of the "Boys in blue" are fast becoming decimated, the ties



which bind them grow all the stronger as the years pass and the number is decreased. His life, honorable in its purpose, measures up to high standards of manhood and of citizenship and his worth has given him a hold upon the affections of his fellow townsmen that naught can sever.

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### GEORGE HARDING SMITH.

George Harding Smith, vice president of the Berwick & Smith Company, book printers of Norwood, Massachusetts, was born in Milford, Massachusetts, in 1859. His father was Jason Harding Smith, who was born in 1832 in Medfield, Massachusetts, and was actively engaged in business as a merchant at Milford at the time of his death in 1870, when he was commander of Milford Commandery of Knights Templar and prominent among Masons in his section of the county. George Harding Smith traces his ancestors back to Henry Smith, who came over from England in 16— and cast in his lot with the pioneer settlers of Dedham, Massachusetts.

George Harding Smith after the death of his father removed to Medfield, Massachusetts, where he received the greater part of his education in the public schools, and later removed to Boston. In 1884 he formed with James Berwick the firm of Berwick & Smith, which later on was incorporated under the name of the Berwick & Smith Company. In 1894 the firm removed from Boston to Norwood, Massachusetts, and became part of the Norwood Press, which embraces the firms of J. S. Cushing Company and E. Fleming & Company, together making a complete book making plant. The work produced at this establishment is unsurpassed in this county, and over twelve million books are printed annually by the presses of the Berwick & Smith Company, a large part of which are school and college textbooks.

On the 2d of December, 1886, in Medfield, Massachusetts, Mr. Smith was united in marriage to Miss Laura Huntington Brown, and they have become parents of two sons and two daughters: Dorothy Elizabeth, the wife of Dr. Ernest H. Gruening, at present managing editor of the New York Tribune; Henry Sanders; George Harding; and Laura Huntington.

Mr. Smith has taken an active interest in town affairs of Norwood and served as a member of the Norwood school committee for fifteen years, the last five years acting as chairman. He was also

president of the Norwood Board of Trade for three years, and in the latter part of his term, helped with others to organize the Norfolk County Associated Boards of Trade, which he served as its first president for two terms. He is also a member of the Boston Typothetae, Franklin Typographical Society and Boston City Club.

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### CHARLES I. DEAN.

Charles I. Dean, sealer of weights and measures at Franklin, was born August 19, 1835, in the city where he still makes his home. He is a son of Ichabod and Hannah (Fisher) Dean, who were natives of Franklin and of Wrentham, Massachusetts, respectively. The father was a farmer by occupation and spent the greatest part of his life in Franklin. In the early days, before the railroads were built, he engaged in freighting between Boston and Providence. He passed away in Franklin in 1863 and his wife died at the very advanced age of eighty-seven years. Mr. Dean was married twice and had a family of thirteen children.

Charles I. Dean, spending his youthful days in Franklin, pursued his education in the public schools and also in the Dean Academy, which received its name from Dr. Dean, the founder, who was a relative of Charles I. Dean of this review. Charles I. Dean learned the carpenter's trade in early life and followed it for two years. He then went into a machine shop and mastered the machinist's trade, after which he worked along that line for a decade. He afterward, in partnership with George Wadsworth, engaged in business on his own account, their association being maintained for five years, at the end of which time Mr. Wadsworth sold his interest to Mr. Dean, who was in partnership with Joseph W. Clark for five years. On the expiration of that period Mr. Dean sold his interest in the business and accepted a position in a rubber factory, which, however, was finally removed to Watertown. He went with the factory and remained in Watertown for ten years as a pattern maker, after which he returned to Franklin, where he has since resided, covering a period of about a quarter of a century. For the past seven years he has served as sealer of weights and measures and still occupies that position although he is now in the eighty-third year of his age. His has been an active and useful life in which indolence and idleness have had no part, and he therefore cannot content himself to have

no occupation at the present time, although he has passed far beyond the point when most men retire from business.

In February, 1859, Mr. Dean was united in marriage to Miss Adelaide Adams, a daughter of Gardner and Eunice (Darling) Adams. The father was a native of Franklin and the mother of Wrentham. They were married in Franklin and afterward established their home in Boston, while subsequently they removed to the west. After five years, however, they returned to Franklin, where their remaining days were passed. To Mr. and Mrs. Dean were born five children: George O., now deceased; Arthur A., a resident of Franklin; Charles G., who has also departed this life; Bertha A., living in Boston; and Ralph, also a resident of Boston. The wife and mother passed away and on the 30th of April, 1898, Mr. Dean was married to Miss Abbie Peary. They became the parents of one child, Beatrice D., who is attending school in Boston. Mrs. Dean was a daughter of Samuel and Abigail (Heath) Peary, who were natives of Denmark and of Phillips, Maine, respectively. The father was a farmer by occupation and also a minister of the Freewill Baptist church. He came to America when twelve years of age and settled at Phillips, Maine. Entering upon the active work of the ministry, he continued his preaching until his health failed, when he took up the occupation of farming in the Pine Tree state and devoted his remaining days to agricultural life, the outdoor experiences proving beneficial to his health. He passed away January 12, 1870, at the age of seventy years, while his wife died June 12, 1896, at the age of seventy-eight years.

Politically Mr. Dean has followed an independent course. His religious faith is that of the Universalist church. Well known in Franklin, where much of his life has been passed, he enjoys the high regard, goodwill and confidence of all with whom he has been associated and he is today one of the valued citizens and honored residents of his section of the state.

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### MURRAY WINTER.

Murray Winter, a well known manufacturer of Wrentham, established business there in January, 1900, as a member of the firm of Winter Brothers Company, their output being taps and dies. With thorough understanding of the trade in every department, Mr.

Winter has been active in the unbuilding of a business of extensive proportions, in which he operates a splendidly equipped plant.

A native of Massachusetts, he was born in Mansfield in June, 1875, a son of Patrick Murray and Isabella Ednie Winter. He attended the public schools of Mansfield and throughout his entire business career has been identified with industrial activity. At length he became active in the organization of the Winter Brothers Company for the manufacture of taps and dies and the Wrentham factory was opened in January, 1900. They sell their products throughout the entire United States and also have a large foreign trade. Their business has reached extensive proportions. They have a well equipped, modern factory, supplied with the latest improved machinery for work along that line, and their business has now reached gratifying proportions, something of its extent being indicated in the fact that they have more than two hundred people in their employ.

On the 2d of October, 1915, Mr. Winter was united in marriage to Miss Ethel Black Kirkton, and to them has been born a son, Wilfrid Murray. Mr. Winter gives his political allegiance to the republican party and is serving as a member of the republican town committee. He is also filling the position of secretary of the Water Commissioners. His fraternal relations are with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and his religious faith is indicated in his membership in the Congregational church, of which he is serving as the treasurer. His aid and influence are always given on the side of progress and improvement, of reform and advancement, and thus he has contributed to many other interests of public worth aside from his business.

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#### HON. HENRY O. FAIRBANKS.

Hon. Henry O. Fairbanks, at one time actively engaged in business as a flour merchant of Boston and formerly mayor of Quincy, Massachusetts, where he makes his home, was born in Boston on the 21st of June, 1852, a son of Moses Fairbanks, a representative of one of the oldest families of Norfolk county, being a lineal descendant of Jonathan Fairbanks, who emigrated from Sowerby, Yorkshire, England, arriving in Boston in 1633, while in 1636 he removed to Dedham, Massachusetts. From timbers he brought with him across the Atlantic it is said that he built the main part of the old Fair-



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banks home, which still stands a celebrated landmark of that period and which has always been owned by some member of the family. Jonathan Fairbanks became a prominent man of his day and in 1642 signed the covenant and was admitted as a townsman. His death occurred in 1688.

His son, Captain George Fairbanks, remained in Dedham until 1657, when he removed to Millis, Massachusetts, and he became one of the founders of Sherborn, where he served for four years as selectman. He was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company and was accidentally drowned in 1682. It was in 1646 that he wedded Mary Adams, who passed away in 1711.

Their son, Eleazer Fairbanks, Sr., was born June 8, 1655, and in 1679 took up a home lot on Main street in Sherborn. His son, Captain Eleazer Fairbanks, was born October 29, 1690, and died September 19, 1741, while his wife, who bore the maiden name of Martha Bullard, a daughter of Captain Samuel Bullard, survived him and later remarried.

Ebenezer Fairbanks, son of Captain Eleazer Fairbanks, was born in Sherborn, Massachusetts, June 1, 1734, was lieutenant of a company of minute men who responded to the alarm given on the 19th of April, 1775, and later served for a time as a private in the Revolutionary war. He was a farmer by occupation and in 1783 removed to Brimfield, Massachusetts. He served for many years as deacon of the church and he married Elizabeth Dearth, who was born in September, 1743, and died June 15, 1818.

Asa Fairbanks, son of Deacon Ebenezer Fairbanks, was born March 4, 1762, and when only fourteen years of age enlisted in the army when the struggle for American independence commenced, and helped guard the military stores in Sherborn. Later he was a ferryman between Tiverton and Greenwich, Rhode Island, transporting men, horses, munitions and provisions. In 1780 he reenlisted and was stationed at West Point when Arnold attempted to betray the fort into the hands of the British. On the 8th of December, 1761, he married Hepzibah Adams, a daughter of Captain Moses Adams, and after their marriage they removed to Dublin, New Hampshire, where they started life in a rude log cabin.

Their son, Asa Fairbanks, Jr., born March 17, 1787, assisted the father in clearing the land but later removed to Peterboro, New Hampshire, and met an early death, being frozen while out hunting. He first married Polly Whitcomb, the mother of Moses Fairbanks, and after her death wedded Sarah Heniston.

Moses Fairbanks, born June 19, 1816, was reared on the home

farm and educated in the district school. At the age of eighteen years he went to Concord, New Hampshire, where he was employed in a hotel for two years. He next served as a clerk for the firm of Boyd & Allen of Boston while they were building the Howard Athenaeum. Later he engaged in business for himself as a member of the firm of Fairbanks & Beard and subsequently under the firm style of Moses Fairbanks & Company. He was married April 27, 1840, to Frances Maria Moulton, a daughter of Jonathan and Deborah (Nash) Moulton. His death occurred February 4, 1896. The children of that marriage were: Mary Frances, who was born December 1, 1841, and was married April 2, 1863, to Daniel B. Spear, of Boston; Helen Maria, who was born October 16, 1845, and died April 4, 1846; Helen Louise, who was born April 3, 1847, and died November 2, 1848; Ella Abra, born March 7, 1850; Henry O.; William Moses, born December 15, 1855; Carrie Deborah, who was born April 9, 1858, and died March 1, 1890; and Maria Moulton, who was born October 18, 1863, and died August 28, 1865.

Henry O. Fairbanks was educated in the public schools of Boston and was graduated from the English high school with the class of 1869. He then entered the employ of Nazro & Company, commission merchants, and advancing from time to time in his business career, became manager of a large flour mill in Columbus, Ohio, in 1881, there remaining for a year. In 1882 he returned to Boston and afterward engaged in business on his own account as a flour merchant. Following his removal to Quincy he became active and prominent in public affairs of the city and when the city charter was granted he represented Ward 5 in the common council and later was made its president. In 1891 and for three terms thereafter he was mayor of Quincy and was instrumental in securing the present water system and also in securing the building of the first high school. He was likewise a factor in bringing about the erection of the fine Central Fire Engine house and many other public-spirited interests. In 1906 he was elected city auditor and has since occupied that position. He also for a time gave some attention to auditing as a private business venture after retiring from the commission business in Boston. His political allegiance has always been given to the republican party.

On the 14th of January, 1875, Mr. Fairbanks was married to Miss Carrie A. Brown, a daughter of Henry H. and Julia F. (Severance) Brown, of Boston. Their children are: Mabel F., now Mrs. Arthur R. Wood, of Portland, Maine; Harry M., who married Stella Cook, now of Worcester; and Mollie E., the wife of K. R.



Lewis, also of Worcester, Massachusetts. Mr. Fairbanks is well known as a representative of fraternal organizations. He is a past master of Rural Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Quincy; belongs to St. Stephens Chapter, R. A. M.; and South Shore Commandery, K. T. He likewise has membership in John Hancock Lodge, I. O. O. F.; Wollaston Lodge of the Knights of Honor; and Woodbine Lodge of the Knights and Ladies of Honor. He has been an influencing factor in shaping public thought and action in Quincy and has contributed much to general progress and improvement there.

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### HENRY DEVEREUX HUMPHREY.

On the roster of county officials in Norfolk county appears the name of Henry Devereux Humphrey, who is filling the position of county treasurer. He is a representative of one of the oldest families of Massachusetts, John Humphrey, the governor of Massachusetts Bay Colony, being his immigrant ancestor and eight or nine generations of the family having been represented at Marblehead, where his father, George H. Humphrey, was born June 17, 1822. He was married in Roxbury, now a part of Boston, to Miss Clarinda T. Noyes, a daughter of Daniel Noyes, who was a soldier of the Revolutionary war. The death of George Henry Humphrey occurred in Needham in 1898, to which place he had removed.

Henry D. Humphrey was born June 20, 1861, at Jamaica Plain, West Roxbury, Massachusetts, and was a lad of but seven years when the family home was established in Dedham, and his education was largely acquired in the public schools. He started upon his business career in connection with his father's bookbinding establishment in Boston. He there remained until 1893, when he disposed of his business interests in Boston and engaged in the insurance and real estate business in Dedham. He is now one of the trustees of the Dedham Institution for Savings and a member of its board of investment. He is regarded as a man of keen business judgment and sagacity, his success resulting from intelligently directed effort.

On the 14th of May, 1884, in Gloucester, Massachusetts, Mr. Humphrey was united in marriage to Miss Lena R. Witham, who died in 1890. On the 6th of October, 1892, in Dedham, Mr. Humphrey was again married, his second union being with Miss Margaret Jane Davidson, a daughter of Robert Davidson. There were two children of this marriage, Edith D. and Margaret.

Mr. Humphrey holds membership in the Congregational church and is a member of its board of assessors. He was president of the Dedham Board of Trade for three years. He is identified fraternally with the Masons, having taken the degree of lodge and chapter. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and he is a member of the Norfolk County Republican Club, of which for a number of years he has been the treasurer. He is appreciative of the social amenities of life and enjoys his connections with the Fisher Ames Club and the Norfolk Golf Club, both of Dedham. His military record covers service in the First Regiment of the Massachusetts Coast Artillery, with which he was identified for three years. He is perhaps best known outside of business circles by reason of his political activity. In 1893 he was elected to represent the first Norfolk district in the legislature of Massachusetts, this district comprising the towns of Dedham and Norwood. He served in the legislature for three years—1894, 1895 and 1896—and was a member of the committee on finance and expenditures, now known as the committee on ways and means, and taxation. Of the committee on finance he served as clerk through the entire three years of his legislative service. In 1898 Mr. Humphrey was elected to the board of assessors of Dedham and served for three years. He was elected to the board of selectmen of Dedham and filled that position from 1902 until 1906 inclusive and was chairman during the last four years of the period. In November, 1906, he was elected to fill the vacancy in the office of county treasurer, occasioned by the death of Treasurer Charles H. Smith, and has held the office since January 2, 1907. His record is indeed most commendable and has won for him the unqualified trust and respect of his fellow townsmen.

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#### WILLIAM G. SPARGO.

William G. Spargo, printer, publisher and owner of the Quincy Evening Telegram, was born in England, August 5, 1878, a son of William and Annie H. Spargo, who, crossing the Atlantic in 1881, became residents of Quincy, where the father engaged in the business of granite cutting, a trade that he had previously learned in his native land.

William G. Spargo is indebted to the public schools and high school of Quincy for his educational training. He afterward learned the electrotype business in Boston and in 1905 established a printing

business of his own at No. 57 Roberts street. He has since enlarged his plant to meet the growing demands of his trade until he now employs a force of ten people and has a splendid equipment in his establishment, including two monotypes, Goss newspaper press, two jobbers and one pony cylinder press. He does a general line of book, job and newspaper printing and for the past nine years has published the Quincy Evening Telegram, an enterprising daily paper. The excellent equipment of his office, the high standards of his work, his reasonable prices and his earnest efforts to please his customers have secured to him a most liberal and gratifying patronage and his business is now one of substantial proportions.

In 1905 Mr. Spargo was united in marriage to Miss Mabel L. Clark, of Stoughton, Massachusetts, and they have become parents of five children, Esther, Edgar, Richard, Frances and Ruth.

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### CHARLES S. UPHAM.

Commercial enterprise finds in Charles S. Upham, of Stoughton, a worthy representative. He is now the treasurer and manager of the Upham Brothers Company, long one of the old established shoe manufacturing concerns of the city. Throughout his business career he has displayed a progressiveness and initiative that enabled him to keep his establishment in touch with the most improved processes of manufacture and the output has therefore found a ready sale on the market. Stoughton numbers Mr. Upham among its native sons. He was born in January, 1864, and is a son of Alfred and Mary (Churchill) Upham, who were also natives of Massachusetts. The father became a shoe manufacturer and devoted his entire life to that line of business activity. He originally worked in shoe factories in the employ of others and eventually, in company with his brother Charles, organized the Upham Brothers Shoe Company, now known as the Upham Brothers Company. He devoted his time and attention to the development and control of the business throughout his remaining days, his death occurring in 1907. His wife passed away in 1904.

Charles S. Upham was a school boy of Stoughton and when his textbooks were put aside entered the factory with his father and acquainted himself with the various phases of the business. After a brief period he was made a member of the firm, being admitted to a partnership on attaining his majority, and throughout all the

intervening years he has been active in the management and control of the business and is now officially the treasurer and manager of the Upham Brothers Company, which is a close corporation, its entire stock being owned by only four members. The company is now engaged in the manufacture of high priced ladies' shoes and produces about one thousand pairs per day. They also make men's shoes to some extent. The attractiveness and excellence of their product has insured a ready sale on the market and their business has enjoyed a substantial growth.

In January, 1889, Mr. Upham was united in marriage to Miss Myra Tenney, a daughter of Charles and Sarah (Lunt) Tenney, the former a native of Massachusetts and the latter of Maine. They became early residents of Stoughton, where the father engaged in business as a shoe manufacturer. He passed away in 1900 but the mother is still living. Mr. and Mrs. Upham have become the parents of a daughter, Dorothy, who was born in December, 1890.

Politically Mr. Upham maintains an independent course, considering the capability of a candidate rather than his party ties. He has served as school commissioner and his aid and influence are always given on the side of progress and improvement in relation to the material, intellectual, social and moral welfare of the community. He has membership in the Chicatawbut Club and his social qualities make for personal popularity among his wide acquaintance.

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### HARRY ALBERTUS WHITING.

Through the course of an active business career Harry Albertus Whiting has been identified with manufacturing, with farming and dairying and is now active in the field of insurance, real estate and banking. Each hour in his life has seemed to mark off a full-faithed attempt to know more and to grow more and his activities have constantly broadened in scope, volume and importance. Mr. Whiting is one of the native sons of Massachusetts, his birth having occurred in Pondville, Norfolk, on the 4th of April, 1872. His parents were Albertus James and Mary Smith (Pond) Whiting, the former a son of James Cole and Nancy J. (Rhodes) Whiting, while the latter was a daughter of Smith and Jerusha (Gerould) Pond.

In the district school at Pondville, Harry A. Whiting began his education, which he continued in the Wrentham and Norfolk high

school, followed by a course in the Bryant & Stratton Business College which he completed by graduation on the 17th of May, 1893. He was employed on a farm until seventeen years of age and afterward was connected with a grocery store and a postoffice for three years before entering business college, thus gaining broad and varied experience along business lines and gaining knowledge that has proven of value to him in later years. Following his graduation from the commercial college he entered the treasurer's department of the Pope Manufacturing Company at Boston, with which he was connected until September, 1895, when he was obliged to leave his position on account of ill health. In April, 1896, he purchased a farm in South Walpole, Massachusetts, and there engaged in the raising of poultry and fruit and in the conduct of a dairy business until March, 1912, or for a period of sixteen years. At the latter date he purchased the insurance agency of John S. Allen of Walpole, which at the present time is conducted under the name of the Walpole Insurance Agency. He also has important interests in other connections, being president of the Walpole Cooperative Bank, of which he was the first clerk and treasurer, serving in 1912 and 1913, while since 1912 he has been one of its directors. He was also temporary clerk of the Walpole Trust Company during preliminary organization and he is a member of the executive committee of the Walpole Real Estate Association, Incorporated. His interests are thus important and of a broad scope and his activities have contributed to general development and progress as well as to individual success.

On the 8th of April, 1896, at South Walpole, Massachusetts, Mr. Whiting was united in marriage to Miss Florence Adelaide Bullard, a daughter of Charles H. and Mary E. (Thorndike) Bullard, of South Walpole, Massachusetts. They now have two children, Verna Mary and Edith Alberta.

In politics Mr. Whiting is a republican and for twelve years served as secretary of the party organization. From 1901 until 1909 he filled the office of assessor of taxes and was collector of taxes and town collector from 1909 until 1913. In the latter year he was called to the position of town treasurer, in which capacity he is still serving, and since 1910 he has also filled the office of justice of the peace. He is president of the Walpole Board of Trade and a member of the Walpole Men's Club. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church and he is serving as deacon in Walpole. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons and belongs to Saint Albans Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Foxborough. He is also a past master of Norfolk

and Middlesex Pomona Grange No. 1 and a past master of Walpole Grange No. 215 of Walpole. He likewise belongs to Reliance Lodge, No. 137, I. O. O. F., of Walpole. His identification with any movement or activity indicates his belief in its efficacy as a factor in good government or as an element for individual progress and uplift. His has been a useful and active life fraught with good results and he has achieved his purpose and accomplished the objects for which he has labored.

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### HENRI L. JOHNSON.

Henri L. Johnson has passed the eighty-first milestone on life's journey but in spirit and interest seems yet in his prime, keeping in touch with the trend of modern thought and progress. He is serving as the president of the Stoughton Historical Society and few men are as well informed concerning events which have formed the history of Norfolk county and of the state. He was born in Stoughton in August, 1836, a son of Lewis and Esther (Talbot) Johnson, who were likewise natives of Stoughton, the former born in 1800 and the latter in 1803. The father was a farmer by occupation and also worked in the shoe factories of this section. He continued a resident of Stoughton throughout his entire life, passing away in 1867, while his wife, surviving for three decades, was called to her final home on the 15th of October, 1897.

Henri L. Johnson, spending his youthful days under the parental roof, is indebted to the public schools of Stoughton for the educational advantages which he received in his youth. He then went to work in the shoe factories and was employed along that line until about 1869, when he entered into partnership with Henry B. Crane under the firm style of H. B. Crane & Company for the manufacture of shoes. They conducted the business for three years, or until 1872, when they consolidated their interests with the Upham Brothers factory and the firm style of Upham Brothers & Company was then assumed. The business was carried on under that style until the early '90s, at which time their interests were incorporated and enlarged. Mr. Johnson has been connected with the business throughout the entire period and is the only one living of the original firm. There are but four members of the company, Albert A. Mead being the president, Charles S. Upham, treasurer, with Mr. Johnson and Dennis Toomey as stockholders. They concentrate their efforts



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largely upon the manufacture of ladies' high priced shoes and the output is about seventy-five dozen per day. Formerly they made men's shoes but have largely discontinued their work in that connection. The business has always remained one of the important productive industries of Stoughton and throughout all these years Mr. Johnson has occupied an important position in connection with the shoe trade of the city—a trade that has been one of the important sources of progress and prosperity in the community.

On the 24th of April, 1859, Mr. Johnson was united in marriage to Miss Louise M. Atherton, of New York city, a daughter of Hiram and Hannah (Stoddard) Atherton, who were natives of Massachusetts. The father became a shoe manufacturer and spent the greater part of his life in North Bridgewater, now Brockton, Massachusetts, where he passed away in 1849 at the age of forty-seven years. His widow survived until 1897 and had reached the eighty-sixth milestone on life's journey when called to her final rest. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson became the parents of two children: Helen L., the widow of A. S. Metcalf, who died in August, 1914, Mrs. Metcalf now making her home with her father; and Frank Lewis, who was accidentally killed August 4, 1896.

In religious faith Mr. Johnson is a Universalist and has ever been a broad-minded and liberal man. Politically he has maintained an independent course and has ever stood for high ideals in citizenship. In 1869 he represented his district in the state legislature. Since the organization of the Historical Society he has been connected therewith and for fifteen years has been its honored president, a position which he still occupies. He is a representative of one of the oldest families of the city and there are indeed few who equal him in knowledge concerning all that has had to do with shaping the annals of Stoughton. He is honored and respected by all who know him and most of all by those among whom he is best known.

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### FRED P. CHAPMAN.

Fred P. Chapman, president of the Franklin Yarn Company, conducting an extensive business at Franklin, Massachusetts, was born February 1, 1866, in the city in which he still makes his home, his parents being Elisha P. and Elizabeth Johan (Stewart) Chapman. The father is a native of Brooklyn, Connecticut, and a representative of one of the old families of that state of English

lineage. The first of the name in the new world were three brothers who came to America during the early part of the seventeenth century. Elisha P. Chapman was a successful grocer who began business in Franklin in the early '60s and was accorded a liberal patronage throughout the entire period of his connection with the district. He retired from active commercial pursuits in 1912 and is now enjoying the fruits of his former toil in a well earned rest. His wife came of Scotch ancestry and was born at Orapreto, Rio Janeiro, Brazil. She passed away leaving two children, Fred P. and Hamilton J., the latter a resident of Rutherford, New Jersey.

Fred P. Chapman is the younger and in the public schools of his native city began his education. He afterward attended Dean Academy of Franklin and Tufts College of Boston, Massachusetts, and started out in the business world on his own account when twenty year of age. He was first employed as instrument or location man for the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railroad Company in the Indian Territory. He assumed the duties of the position in the fall of 1886 and continued in the service of the railroad company for a year and a half, gaining valuable knowledge and experience during his sojourn in the southwest. He next became paymaster for the Ray Woolen Company of Franklin, Massachusetts, which constituted his initiation into the woolen mill business. He continued with the Ray Company until about 1901 and was advanced from time to time until he became superintendent and agent for the company. In 1902 the Franklin Yarn Company was organized and Mr. Chapman became its first president and has since occupied that position. Through the intervening period of sixteen years his constructive effort, his administrative direction and executive force have constituted most salient and important elements in the unbuilding of the business, which has now reached extensive and gratifying proportions and largely stands as a monument to the ability of the president.

On the 16th of June, 1890, Mr. Chapman was married in Franklin to Miss Clara Craig, a native of Walpole and a daughter of Charles B. and Melvina (Jenks) Craig. They have become parents of three children, Gertrude C., Boyd Palmer and Donald B., all born in Franklin.

Since age conferred upon Mr. Chapman his right of franchise he has been a stalwart champion of republican principles, and while he has never been a politician in the sense of office seeking, he served for twelve years as a member of the school board of Franklin and the cause of education found him a stalwart champion. He was at one time water and sewer commissioner of Franklin and he also

represented his district in the general court of Massachusetts in 1910 and 1911. Fraternally he is a Mason, having been initiated into the order in Excelsior Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Franklin, in 1888. He has filled all of its chairs and is a past master. His religious faith is that of the Universalist church and he was formerly clerk of the church. He never becomes connected with any movement or organization but what his cooperation is sought in its management and control—a merited recognition of his ability, forcefulness and resourcefulness.

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### EMERY BENTON GIBBS.

Emery Benton Gibbs, an active representative of the Boston bar, living in Brookline, was born in Byron, Oxford county, Maine, on the 23d of October, 1862. He is a descendant of Mathew Gibbs, planter, who settled at Charlestown, Massachusetts, in 1650 and in 1651 wedded Mary Bradish, of Cambridge, Massachusetts. Another of the ancestors in a later generation was Jacob Gibbs, who lived in Framingham in 1740, and owned land on both sides of the river where later the Shepard paper mill was built—a site that was afterward taken by the city of Boston for its water system. Still another ancestor was Joseph Gibbs, a lieutenant of the Continental army, who marched to Concord with his company on the 20th of April, 1775, and Pelatiah Gibbs, who served throughout the Revolutionary war. The grandmother of Emery Benton Gibbs in the paternal line was Polly (Stearns) Gibbs, the daughter of Phineas Stearns, who was one of the members of the Boston Tea Party and also an officer in the Continental army, being in command of the Continental forces on Dorchester Heights when the British evacuated Boston. Emery B. Gibbs is the son of Phineas Stearns Gibbs, who married Mary Catherine Meserve, a descendant of Clement Meserve, of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, who there located in 1673. He was one of the Meserve family of the Island of Jersey, where the family record is complete since 1308. This family is noted for the large number of judges, judge advocates and attorney generals that it has contributed to the public service.

Emery B. Gibbs pursued his early education in the proverbial "little red schoolhouse" and afterward spent three terms as a student in the Hebron Academy. He then took up the profession of teaching, which he followed in the public schools, spending one year as

principal of the Buckfield high school, after which he entered the Coburn Classical Institute, from which he was graduated in 1884. He next became a student in Colby College and received the Bachelor of Arts degree upon graduation with the class of 1888. He then entered the Boston University Law School and received the LL. B. degree in 1891. Born upon a farm, he worked in the fields all through his school and college vacations and his first professional activity was in the field of teaching, which he followed with success in both the ungraded country schools and in village high school and again as principal of Somerset Academy. He regarded this, however, merely as an initial step to other professional labor and was admitted to the Suffolk bar in 1891. He has since engaged in the practice of law. He served for many years as a bail commissioner of Norfolk county, Massachusetts, and was appointed by the United States district court referee in bankruptcy for the county of Norfolk in 1898 and has occupied that position continuously to the present time. He has also been appointed to sit as master in many cases in the United States courts and in the state courts. In addition he has acted as trustee of the Babcock Hill Land and as one of the trustees of the Boston Baptist Social Union, which under the will of Daniel Sharp Ford was given the Social Union building, formerly the Youth's Companion building, and also a large trust fund with which the Ford building was erected.

With various public activities Mr. Gibbs has been prominently associated. He is identified with the republican party and he was a member of the Brookline town committee from 1894 to 1900, serving as its secretary in 1895. He has done much to further municipal affairs in Brookline and to solve important questions of town government. He was the first one to have the civil service extended to include Brookline and regulate the appointment of policemen and firemen, securing to both tenure of office. He was also one of the first to secure pensions for men disabled in the service and a retiring pension as well. On his initiative the office of town engineer was created and that of town accountant. Mr. Gibbs served for many years on the Committee of Thirty to consider and report to the town on all annual appropriations. He has acted as moderator of the annual town meeting and in 1916 was town meeting member from Precinct No. 3, under the Brookline modified form of town government. He has also been called upon for judicial service, representing the town of Brookline in 1897 in the great and general court of Massachusetts.

On the 13th of January, 1892, in Yarmouth, Maine, Mr. Gibbs

was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Barbour, a daughter of Henry N. and Mary (Chapman) Barbour. They have become parents of two daughters: Elisabeth, who is now a student in a school of design in New York city; and Mary Karolen, who is attending Wellesley College as a member of the class of 1921.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Baptist church, their membership being in Brookline, and Mr. Gibbs served as treasurer of the church in 1892-3, as superintendent of the Bible School in 1899-1900 as member of the board of deacons and trustees from 1907 until 1914 and on the building committee to erect the present meeting house at the corner of Beacon and Park streets in Brookline. He is also a charter member of the New England Baptist Hospital, of which he has served as trustee since 1895 and of which he was president in 1898 and 1899. He is likewise a charter member of the Lord's Day League of New England and has been a director since its organization in 1892. He likewise belongs to the Boston Baptist Social Union and was its president in 1908 and 1909. Fraternally he is connected with the Delta Kappa Epsilon and is well known in Masonic circles, holding membership in Beth-horon Lodge of Brookline since 1892. He served as master of the lodge in 1907-8, was senior grand deacon of the grand lodge in 1909, district deputy grand master of the Fifth Masonic District in 1912 and 1913 and became deputy grand master in 1914. He belongs to the Boston City Club and he is thus well known in connection with activities which have had much to do with the material, intellectual, social, political and moral reform, advancement and progress of the community.

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### JAMES EDWARD PENDERGAST.

Although a native of Dedham, James Edward Pendergast has spent the greater part of his life in Norwood, where he is now filling the dual position of town accountant and town clerk, having been called to the former position by appointment in June, 1911. He was born in 1877, a son of Patrick J. Pendergast, who is a native of County Waterford, Ireland, born in 1851, but during his infancy he was brought by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Pendergast, to the new world, the family home being established in Norwood, where the grandparents passed away. The father is still a resident

of Norwood, but his wife, who bore the maiden name of Margaret Cornick, departed this life in 1892.

James E. Pendergast became a pupil in the public schools of Norwood, where he mastered the branches of learning that usually constitute the public school curriculum. When his textbooks were put aside he accepted a position as a grocery clerk and was thus identified with commercial interests of Norwood for nineteen years. In June, 1911, he was appointed to the office of town accountant and in January, 1915, the office of town clerk was created and the duties added to those of town accountant, so that he is now serving in both positions. He is likewise known in the financial circles of the city as a director of the Norwood Cooperative Bank.

On the 27th of June, 1901, in Walpole, Massachusetts, Mr. Pendergast was united in marriage to Miss Nora G. Dalton, a daughter of the late Patrick Dalton, and their children are Richard, Jerome, Mary, James, William, John and Nora.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic church and Mr. Pendergast is identified with the Ancient Order of Hibernians. His political allegiance has always been given to the democratic party and he stands staunchly in support of its principles and does all in his power to promote the success of the party. He is well known in Norwood, where practically his entire life has been passed, and the circle of his friends has constantly increased as the circle of his acquaintance has broadened.

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### JUDGE EVERETT C. BUMPUS.

Judge Everett C. Bumpus, classed with the eminent American lawyers and jurists, his public service also entitling him to rank with New England's most prominent men, was born in Plympton, Massachusetts, on the 28th of November, 1844, and for more than a half century has been an active representative of the bar of Quincy. He is a son of Cephas C. and Amelia D. (Foster) Bumpus. Both the Bumpus and Foster families were established on American soil at an early period in the colonization of the new world, the Bumpus family having been founded in Plymouth in 1620. In the Revolutionary war record appears the name of Captain Bumpus, a member of this family and representatives of the name were also officers in the War of 1812. Cephas C. Bumpus was born at Plympton, Massachusetts, while his wife was a native of Kingston, Massachusetts.



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He was for many years connected with the railway business but at the time of the Civil war put aside all business and personal considerations to espouse the Union cause and served for three years as a captain in the Fourth Massachusetts Infantry and also in the Thirty-second Massachusetts Infantry and still later in the Third Artillery. His son, Edgar L., who also became a captain in the Union army, was killed during Sherman's march from Atlanta to the sea. Following his return from the war Captain Cephas C. Bumpus was continuously in office in Boston to the time of his death, which occurred about 1897.

Judge Bumpus, leaving high school at the age of sixteen years, enlisted for active service in the Fourth Massachusetts Regiment and later was connected with the Forty-fourth Regiment. At the age of eighteen he was made an officer in the Third Artillery and in 1865 was promoted to the rank of captain of his company, with which he remained on active duty until mustered out in September of that year. Following his return from the war, Judge Bumpus took up the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1867. He first located for practice at Weymouth, Massachusetts, and was well known as a trial justice until 1872. In that year he was made justice of the district court of Norfolk and a decade later was called to the office of district attorney for Norfolk and Plymouth counties, which position he continuously filled until 1887, when he declined future service of that character. He then entered upon the active practice of law, specializing in public franchises, and later he became commissioner of important water cases in Massachusetts and in fact throughout New England, being considered a leader in that class of work. In 1908 he was made one of two American commissioners to negotiate the Panama treaty, involving the examination of titles to the earliest settlement of Panama. Later he was employed by the department of state to act in reference to the boundaries of waters between the United States and Canada and about 1911 he devoted his energies to the preparation of a series of legal articles for a business men's encyclopedia. He became one of five men who organized the selling of the Encyclopedia Britannica in the United States. At the present writing he is serving as city solicitor of Quincy. The extent and importance of his public service places him with those men to whom the community, the state and the country owe much. His work has been of great benefit and the results achieved have contributed to the welfare of the country.

On the 22d of September, 1868, Judge Bumpus was united in marriage to Miss Emma F. Russell, who passed away in 1887. They

were the parents of four children. Arthur L., the eldest, is now a minister of the Episcopal church at Brooklyn, New York. Everett Chauncey, who became blind at the age of six years, attended Harvard University and was admitted to the bar, ranking first in a class of fifty members. He died in 1901. Edward A., born in 1874, also a graduate of Harvard, went to the defense of his country as a soldier of the Spanish-American war and was promoted to the rank of captain for bravery and gallantry in China. He was killed at Balanga Samar in the Philippines, where the entire company was annihilated. Christine L., the youngest of the family, is the wife of E. W. Remmick, a resident of Brookline, Massachusetts. For his second wife Judge Bumpus chose Mary Louise Bates, of Canandaigua, New York, who died leaving two children, Morris E. and Foster C. The former is a graduate of Williams College and a member of the bar and is now a lieutenant in the United States army. The latter is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis and is serving in the navy with the rank of lieutenant, senior grade.

Judge Bumpus was formerly a member of the Union, Algonquin and St. Botolph Clubs of Boston and now holds membership in the Loyal Legion, the Papyrus Club and the Curtis Club. His political endorsement has always been given to the republican party. He became a resident of Quincy in 1865 and has here since made his home, endeared to his fellow citizens by reason of a pleasing personality, while the importance of his professional and public service has given him high rank at the bar and in connection with state and national interests.

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### ORLANDO MCKENZIE.

Orlando McKenzie is well known by reason of his active legislative experience and also by reason of his business enterprise, which places him with the substantial citizens of Foxboro. He has long been engaged in blacksmithing and at the same time he is carrying on an automobile business, handling the Oldsmobile cars. He was born in Nova Scotia, April 23, 1868, a son of Eben and Rebecca (McDonald) McKenzie, who were natives of Scotland. The father was a farmer by occupation and in early life crossed the Atlantic to the new world, settling in Massachusetts. He afterward removed to Nova Scotia, where he engaged in farming for twenty years. He

now makes his home at Peabody, Massachusetts, where he is living retired, enjoying a well earned rest. His wife passed away in 1912.

Orlando McKenzie was largely reared in Nova Scotia and mastered the branches of learning taught in the public school there. He afterward learned the blacksmith's trade, which he has followed throughout practically his entire life. In 1885 he took up his abode at Medfield, Massachusetts, where he resided for four years, and in 1889 he removed to Norfolk, where he operated a blacksmith shop until 1906. He then disposed of his business at that place and removed to Foxboro, where he has since carried on a shop, and in connection therewith he conducts an automobile business, handling the Oldsmobile cars. He is alert and energetic, carrying forward to successful completion whatever he undertakes, and a spirit of unfaltering enterprise has been one of the strong and salient characteristics in his growing advancement.

Mr. McKenzie was united in marriage to Miss Agnes F. Crane, of Medfield, on the 4th of June, 1889, a daughter of William and Ella M. (Richards) Crane, who were natives of New Hampshire and of Medfield, Norfolk county, Massachusetts, respectively. The father arrived in Massachusetts in early life and worked at his trade, that of a hatter, in the straw shops. He was also a newspaper correspondent for a long time and he became widely known in his section of the state. He passed away October 6, 1912, having for five years survived his wife, whose death occurred on the 2d of August, 1907. Mr. Crane was a veteran of the Civil war. When the country became involved in hostilities between the north and the south he enlisted as a member of the "Boys in blue" of Company E. First Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, with which he served for four years. He was wounded in battle and always felt the effects of the injury which he thus sustained. After the war he established his home at Medfield, Massachusetts, where he continued to reside until called to his final rest. To Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie have been born four children: Leola F., born June 11, 1891; Ethel V., who was born October 24, 1892; Russell E., born December 21, 1895; and Harold E., born August 17, 1899. The birth of Mrs. McKenzie occurred in Medfield, Norfolk county, March 4, 1869, and she has always resided in this county.

Both Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie are loyal members of the Congregational church and he is identified with several fraternal orders, belonging to the Masons, the Odd Fellows and the Ancient Order of United Workmen. In the first named society he holds office and at all times he is a worthy exemplar of the spirit of the craft. His

political allegiance is given to the republican party and he has taken a deep interest in public affairs. He is now filling the position of chairman of the board of selectmen of Foxboro and has acted in that capacity for about eight years, his record being at all times most creditable. He has also served as clerk and treasurer of the town of Norfolk and at the present writing is chairman of the board of overseers of the poor and also of the board of water commissioners and a member of the board of health. He is likewise serving on the republican town central committee. Still higher political honors, however, have been conferred upon him, for in the fall of 1904 he was elected to the state legislature from Norfolk and served for one year. During that period he had the pleasure of establishing the town of Plainville through the promotion of legislative enactment. In 1914 he was again elected to the legislature from Foxboro and again served for one year, leaving the impress of his individuality upon important legislative measures enacted during that period. He stands at all times for progress and improvement in public affairs and cooperates heartily with those well defined plans which have produced results of far reaching and lasting benefits.

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#### GEORGE R. WHITING.

George R. Whiting, who is engaged in the manufacture of wool shoddy at Franklin, was born March 24, 1852, in the city which is still his place of residence. His parents were Daniel Peter and Lydia (Briggs) Whiting, both of whom were natives of this state, the former born in Franklin and the latter in Norton. The Whiting family has been represented in Norfolk county for more than two centuries. The early representatives of the name lived in South Franklin and were owners of a farm of two hundred acres there. George R. Whiting has in his possession a deed bearing the date 1717, in which the king of England granted this land to the family. Several branches of the family are still living in Norfolk county, where the name has figured prominently through many generations. The grandfather, Joseph M. Whiting, had a family of two sons, Daniel Peter and Joseph Milton, and a daughter, Ruth. His son, Joseph Milton, was a farmer and box manufacturer until his death and the daughter became the wife of Winslow Cook and continued her residence in Franklin until she was called to her final rest. Joseph M. Whiting, the grandfather, devoted his life to general



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agricultural pursuits and also conducted the first grist mill in Franklin which he operated for a number of years. His landed possessions comprised two hundred and fifty acres which he brought under a high state of cultivation, and in addition to tilling his fields and operating his grist mill he conducted a sawmill. His life was thus one of marked activity and usefulness.

His son, Daniel Peter Whiting, remained in his father's employ for a number of years and afterward followed in his business footsteps by giving his attention to farm work and also to industrial activities. In addition to the cultivation of his fields he turned his attention to box making, in which he engaged until about twenty years prior to his death. During his last two decades, however, he gave his entire attention to farming. He was one of the staunchest supporters of the republican party. Nothing could cause him to deviate from that course and yet he did not seek nor desire office as a reward for party fealty. His religious faith was that of the Congregational church and permeated his entire life in its every relation. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Lydia Adeline Briggs, was a daughter of Emerson and Lydia Adeline (Richardson) Briggs, of Norton, Massachusetts, whose family numbered ten children. Her father was a farmer and hollowware turner, in which connection he manufactured trays and dishes from wood. He also became the owner of a grist mill and, prospering in his undertakings, he engaged in loaning money. The Briggs family was also one of the oldest and most respected families of Norfolk county. In the family of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel P. Whiting there were ten children: Samuel, who died at the age of seventy years; Lydia, now the widow of Bennett R. Harris, of Franklin; Martha, who passed away at the age of seven years; Alfred D., who reached the fifty-first milestone on life's journey; George R., of this review; Etta Eva, who died at the age of twenty years; Isabella F., now the wife of Edgar Kingsbury, of Medfield, Massachusetts; Abbott D., who died at the age of fifty-eight years; Clara, who is now the wife of Charles E. Woodward, of Franklin; and Joseph M., the third in order of birth, who passed away at the age of seventy-two years.

George R. Whiting pursued his early education in the public schools of Franklin and afterward continued his studies in Dean Academy, where he was a pupil through three winter sessions. In his youthful days he worked with his father upon the home farm, assisting in the development of the fields until he reached the age of twenty years, when he started out in business independently. He began the manufacture of wool shoddy, building a factory at South

Milford, in which he personally installed the machinery. Since that time he has engaged in the manufacture of fine wool shoddies and extracts. While thus engaged he lived with his father upon the home farm and managed the farm until his father's death. He later built a mill at Unionville which he still operates under the firm name of George R. & A. D. Whiting. He still owns the old home property and gives personal supervision to its cultivation but does not reside upon the place at the present time, making his home at No. 40 Cottage street, in Franklin. He thoroughly understands every phase of shoddy manufacturing and his business has been carefully and wisely directed, so that substantial results have accrued.

On the 4th of January, 1893, Mr. Whiting was united in marriage to Miss Mary Woodman Sprague, a daughter of George W. and Olive (Osmund) Sprague, who were residents of East Bridgewater but formerly resided at Scituate, Massachusetts. Her father in early life had been lighthouse keeper at Scituate Point and later he was a shoe cutter at Brockton and at Bridgewater, but both he and his wife have now passed away, their remains being interred in the Bridgewater cemetery. To Mr. and Mrs. Whiting was born a daughter, Gertrude Sprague, who is now the wife of Bertram Turner, of Franklin, Massachusetts, and has one child, who was born on her father's birthday in 1917 and was named George Whiting Turner. In January, 1911, Mr. Whiting was called upon to mourn the loss of his wife, who passed away in that month. On the 24th of July, 1917, he married Lilla Malora Marble, a daughter of Newell Marble, of Ashburnham, Massachusetts.

Mr. Whiting is a member of the Masonic lodge, the Royal Arch chapter and the Knight Templar commandery of Milford and he also has membership in Aleppo Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Boston. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church and his entire life has measured up to its standards and teachings. His political allegiance is given the republican party and he is now a member of the board of selectmen of Franklin, of which he is serving as chairman. He is one of the most respected and prominent business men of Franklin and still manages his factory interests, although not so active as formerly. His success permits of greater leisure and he has time to indulge in those things which are matters of interest to him. He occupies a fine home in Franklin and still owns the original farm property, which has long been in possession of the family. In his business career he has been actuated by a laudable purpose and ambition that have brought excellent results and the course which he has ever pursued has been one which would



bear the closest investigation and scrutiny. Those who know him, and he has a wide acquaintance, speak of him in terms of highest regard, recognizing the fact that his course has ever reflected credit and honor upon an untarnished family name.

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### WILLARD HENRY BENNETT.

Willard Henry Bennett, a carpenter and builder carrying on business at Wrentham, where he was born February 20, 1857, is a son of Henry Albert and Charlotte Thomas (Potter) Bennett. The father was born at Wrentham, November 2, 1814, while the mother's birth occurred at Pawtuxet, Rhode Island, May 3, 1813. Mr. Bennett was a cabinet maker by trade and in following that pursuit provided for the support of his family.

Spending his youthful days under the parental roof, Willard H. Bennett largely devoted his time to the mastery of the branches of learning taught in the Wrentham schools and thus qualified for life's practical duties and responsibilities. He afterward began work at the carpenter's trade and the thoroughness of his instruction and the breadth of his experience made him thoroughly qualified for work of that nature. Later he took up building operations on his own account and has since been known as one of the leading carpenters and builders of Wrentham, where many evidences of his handiwork can be seen in the substantial structures of this section of the county. He thoroughly understands the scientific phases which underlie his work as well as all of the practical duties in connection with carpentering and building and his thoroughness and efficiency have been the means of bringing to him a continually growing patronage.

On the 5th of June, 1878, in Wrentham, Mr. Bennett was united in marriage by Rev. William R. Tompkins to Miss Ida Lunette Powers, who was born at Blakes Hill, Wrentham, February 25, 1856, a daughter of James R. and Martha Miranda (Wolcott) Powers. The father was engaged in the dry goods business, following that pursuit for many years at Wrentham. Mrs. Bennett was educated in the public schools of Wrentham, and took up the profession of teaching, which she followed in Cumberland, Rhode Island, and also in the Wampum school of Wrentham. To Mr. and Mrs. Bennett have been born three children. Philip Albert was born July 4, 1879. Harry Potter, born September 3, 1883, married

Isabel Talbot Landre, by whom he has two children, Willard Potter and Ralph L., and is now engaged in the foundry business. Raymond Sayles, born December 13, 1892, is in France as a member of Company I of the First Regiment of the American Expeditionary Force.

Mr. Bennett is serving as one of the town assessors and no trust reposed in him has ever been betrayed in the slightest degree. He is always loyal to the best interests of the community which he represents and his standards of life are high. His position on the temperance question is shown by the fact that he votes with the prohibition party and that he is interested in the moral progress and development of his community is shown in his active work in the Original Congregational church, of which for twelve years he was deacon. His life has always been actuated by high and honorable principles and his fellow townsmen attest his genuine worth and bear testimony to the advanced standards which actuate him in all of life's relations.

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### JAMES D. BOSWORTH.

James D. Bosworth, president of the Emerson Coal & Grain Company, Incorporated, at East Weymouth, has been identified with the business since 1914 and since that date has contributed in no small measure to its successful management. He was born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, November 23, 1872, and is a son of William H. and Anna O. (Davis) Bosworth, who are natives of Rhode Island. The father has always been engaged in the leather business in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, carrying on his interests independently until the last few years, but is now connected with the firm of Carter, Rice & Company of Boston. He makes his home in Somerville, Massachusetts, where he and his wife are most pleasantly located.

James D. Bosworth was reared and educated in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He then took up electrical engineering and followed that pursuit for a quarter of a century, carrying on business on his own account most of the time after leaving school. He still does work as an electrical engineer to some extent in addition to his other business interests. On the 4th of April, 1914, he came to East Weymouth and purchased an interest in the Emerson Coal & Grain Company, thus becoming associated with T. H. Emerson. He has since been active in this line but is now associated with W. H. Bartlett, who purchased Mr. Emerson's interest. They continue

to carry on the business, however, under the name of the Emerson Coal & Grain Company, Incorporated. They have large mills and have built up a gratifying business as grain merchants and they also handle hay and coal, receiving a liberal patronage in each line.

On the 19th of October, 1907, Mr. Bosworth was united in marriage to Miss Mabel D. Decoster, a daughter of George H. and Lucy (Blanchard) Decoster, the former a veteran of the Civil war, now residing in West Acton, Massachusetts. He was born in Vermont and has spent his entire life in New England. His wife passed away in 1907. Mr. and Mrs. Bosworth reside at No. 678 Broad street, where he has recently purchased a fine modern residence, and their home is the abode of warm-hearted hospitality.

Mr. Bosworth belongs to the Masonic fraternity and his political belief is that of the republican party, while his religious faith is that of the Christian Science church. These associations indicate much of the nature of his interests and the rules which govern his conduct, and at all times he commands and enjoys the esteem and confidence of his fellow citizens, who recognize his loyalty to the best interests of the community and who find in him a progressive and representative business man.

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#### D. W. TOOMEY.

D. W. Toomey, superintendent of the shoe manufacturing plant of the Upham Brothers Company and one of the stockholders in the business, was born in Randolph, Massachusetts, July 1, 1861, a son of Eugene and Ellen (Coughlin) Toomey, natives of Ireland. The father came to America in early life, arriving about 1852, at which time he established his home in Randolph. Later he removed to North Bridgewater, Massachusetts, where he resided for a few years, and then established his home in Stoughton, Massachusetts, about 1868. He secured employment in the shoe factories of the city and remained in Stoughton until called to his final rest in 1876, when he was sixty-one years of age. His wife passed away in the '80s.

D. W. Toomey was reared and educated in Stoughton and began work in a shoe factory, continuing in that line until 1900, during which period he was thoroughly mastering the various branches of the business and gaining knowledge and experience which qual-

ified him for his present position. In the year indicated he was called to the position of superintendent of the shoe factory of the Upham Brothers Company, where he has been employed from the age of sixteen years. He knows every feature and phase of the business and he has become a member of the firm, purchasing stock therein. He is well qualified for his present responsibilities and is making a most excellent record by the capability with which he directs the operations of the plant.

Mr. Toomey is of the Catholic faith and politically he maintains an independent attitude. He has been prominent in community affairs and his aid and influence are always on the side of progress and upbuilding. He served for three years on the school board, acting as chairman for one year, is a member of the board of trade, which he joined on its organization and in which he has taken an active part through service on important committees. He belongs to the Red Cross and has done valuable work in raising funds, acting as chairman of the local chapter. He likewise did important service in connection with the raising of the campaign fund for the Young Men's Christian Association and was also treasurer thereof. He is much interested in outdoor sports and turns to these for rest and recreation when leisure permits. With him, however, business responsibilities and public duties take precedence of pleasure and he cooperates heartily in every movement that has to do with the welfare and progress of his community, while at the present time he feels the deepest concern in relation to public affairs in general and does everything in his power to uphold the policy of the government in its relation to the war.

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### MINOT P. GAREY.

Active and alert in business affairs, Minot P. Garey is well known through his connection with real estate and insurance interests at East Weymouth, where he was born July 24, 1855. His parents, Andrew J. and Ellen S. (Pratt) Garey, were natives of Saco, Maine, and of East Weymouth, respectively, the latter belonging to one of the old families of Norfolk county, her parents having also been natives of East Weymouth. Andrew J. Garey was a carpenter and shoemaker by trade. In 1861 he was called upon to mourn the loss of his wife, after which he responded to the country's call for troops, enlisting in Company A of the Twelfth Massachusetts Volun-



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teer Infantry, with which he served until the close of the war. He participated in a number of hotly contested engagements and on one occasion was wounded in the arm, after which he never again had the use of that member. After being wounded, he returned home on a furlough and in 1864 he was married to Susan Ford Gannet. They became the parents of two children: Frank, who died in infancy; and Dr. Charles W. Garey, of Quincy, Massachusetts. There were also two children born of the first marriage, Minot P. and Sarah W., the latter the wife of Frank W. Browne, residing in Cohasset, Massachusetts. Following his return from the war, Andrew J. Garey was a member of the state police force for twelve years and for several years he occupied the position of postmaster of East Weymouth. He later served as a town officer for several years and at length retired from active life. He passed away on Thanksgiving day of 1896, when sixty-two years of age.

Minot P. Garey was reared and educated in East Weymouth and in early life learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for six years. He also worked to some extent in shoe factories and later learned the shoe and boot cutting business, which he continued to follow for seventeen years. At a subsequent date he engaged in selling books for a year and then turned his attention to the insurance business, while later he broadened the scope of his activities to include the real estate business. He has since conducted a real estate office and has negotiated many important property transfers. He also writes a large amount of insurance annually and his business has reached gratifying proportions. He is also serving as justice of the peace and for twenty-one years has been notary public. Since 1897 he has occupied his present office and directly opposite is a residence which his grandfather erected in 1838. In addition to his other activity Mr. Garey does considerable probate work and he is one of the valued and representative business men of East Weymouth.

On the 3d of February, 1877, occurred the marriage of Mr. Garey and Miss Annie H. Vining, a daughter of James H. and Mary (Richards) Vining, who were natives of East Weymouth. The father was a tack maker by trade and later engaged in shoe making, while during the last quarter of a century of his life he was a boot cutter. He passed away in April, 1903, having for twelve years survived his wife, whose death occurred in 1891. To Mr. and Mrs. Garey were born two children: Fred V., who was born August 25, 1881; and Mary Humphrey, born November 16, 1887. The son was graduated from Harvard with the class of 1902 and is now

teaching high school in Dorchester, Massachusetts. He is also a musician of considerable ability and talent and has charge of the music in that school, while from the age of sixteen years he has played the organ in churches. He married Miss Anna B. Bates and they have three children, Doris B., Carl B. and Freda V. Mary Humphrey Garey is the wife of Styles A. Fisk and they have one child, Styles A., Jr. They reside at No. 619 Commercial street, in East Weymouth, and Mr. Fisk is assistant lecturer for the Southern Pacific Railway Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Garey own and occupy a beautiful and attractive residence at No. 45 Randall avenue. His political faith is that of the republican party, while his religious belief is that of the Congregational church. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, in which he has taken the degrees of lodge, chapter, council and commandery, and he is also identified with the Sons of Veterans. He is serving as one of the trustees of the East Weymouth Savings Bank and is the secretary of the town planning board. He manifests the deepest interest in all that has to do with community progress and upbuilding and has lent active aid and support to many plans that have been of great benefit. His business affairs have been wisely and carefully directed and his sound judgment has enabled him to avoid all unwarranted risks and also the unrestricted progressiveness which often leads to failure. On the other hand, his business discernment and sagacity are sound and his efforts, intelligently directed, have brought to him substantial success.

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### ALBERT C. MASON.

Albert C. Mason is a well known business man of Franklin, where he is conducting a well appointed drug store. He is descended from some of the oldest and most prominent families of Massachusetts. His birth occurred in Swansea, Massachusetts, October 10, 1868, his parents being Gideon P. and Ruth Ann (Luther) Mason. The ancestry in the Mason line can be traced back to Benjamin and Ruth (Rounds) Mason, the former a son of Sampson Mason, who was the original American immigrant, coming to this country and settling in Dorchester, Massachusetts, in 1649. He was married there in 1653 and died September 15, 1676, while his wife, who bore the maiden name of Mary Butterworth, passed away August 29, 1714. Benjamin and Ruth (Rounds) Mason were the parents



of Charles Mason, who was born August 16, 1713, and on the 17th of September, 1731, was married to Keziah Miller, who was born August 3, 1715, and passed away on the 5th of June, 1797. Their son, Noble Mason, was born November 23, 1747, and was married to Lydia Thurber, who was born November 26, 1750, a daughter of James and Lydia (Harding) Thurber. Her father was born June 28, 1721, and died September 19, 1805, while her mother was born August 1, 1697. As stated, their daughter Lydia became the wife of Noble Mason and they made their home at Taunton and at Swansea, Massachusetts. Noble Mason died August 13, 1827, having for a quarter of a century survived his wife, who died January 17, 1802. They were the parents of Aaron Thurber Mason, grandfather of Albert C. Mason, of this review. Aaron T. Mason was born March 15, 1778, and married first Mary Bullock and second Patsy Peck, who was born February 9, 1794. The ancestry of the Peck family can be traced back through twenty generations to Joseph Peck, Esq., of Belton, Yorkshire, England, who flourished in 1638. Patsy (Peck) Mason was a granddaughter of Jonathan and Ruth (Wheeler) Peck, who were married February 22, 1759. The former was born January 17, 1734, and the latter on the 19th of September, 1739. Jonathan and Ruth (Wheeler) Peck were the parents of Gideon Peck, who was born August 2, 1766, and on the 17th of March, 1791, was married to Lydia Bullock, who was born March 23, 1765. Gideon Peck died December 20, 1843, and his wife's death occurred November 30, 1846. As stated, they were the parents of Patsy Peck, who became the wife of Aaron Thurber Mason. They resided in Attleboro and Rehoboth, Massachusetts, and his death occurred August 17, 1848, while Mrs. Patsy Mason passed away May 21, 1884. Their family included Gideon Peck Mason, the father of Albert C. Mason of this review. Gideon Peck Mason was born September 6, 1832, and his death occurred February 25, 1905. He resided at Swansea, Massachusetts, and he married Ruth Ann Luther on the 12th of January, 1859. She, too, was born at Swansea, March 12, 1832, and through the Luther line she traced her ancestry back to Nathaniel and Sarah (Gallup) Luther. The former was born May 10, 1733, and the latter on the 21st of November, 1733. They were married June 12, 1756, and resided in Swansea, Massachusetts. They were the parents of Samuel Luther, who was born November 27, 1760, and on the 3d of October, 1784, married Patience Hill, who was born January 22, 1767, and was a daughter of Caleb and Mary (Luther) Hill. Her parents were married July 29, 1766. Mr. Hill was born June 25,

1728, and died in May, 1799. His daughter Patience became the wife of Samuel Luther and they resided at Swansea, Massachusetts, where Mr. Luther's death occurred March 20, 1826, while his wife died January 22, 1816. Their family included Thomas P. Luther, who was born January 1, 1805, and who on the 10th of February, 1832, married Adeline Peck, who was born January 21, 1810, and was a granddaughter of Ambrose and Polly (Lindley) Peck. The former was born November 17, 1747, and died April 9, 1819, while Mrs. Polly Peck was born September 2, 1754, and died between 1810 and 1819. Ambrose and Polly (Lindley) Peck were the parents of Robert Peck, who was born January 10, 1782, and died in February, 1832, while his wife, Mrs. Polly (Millard) Peck, was born in 1783 and was a daughter of Aaron and Ruth (Ingalls) Millard. The latter was born June 30, 1749, and died after 1777. Polly (Millard) Peck, their daughter, died August 14, 1859. Robert and Polly (Millard) Peck had also made their home at Swansea, Massachusetts. They were the parents of Adeline Peck, who, as previously indicated, became the wife of Thomas P. Luther. They were married February 10, 1832, and made their home at Swansea, Massachusetts, and Providence, Rhode Island. Thomas P. Luther died May 20, 1884, having for many years survived his wife, who died December 16, 1840. They were the maternal grandparents of Albert C. Mason of this review, their daughter, Ruth Ann Luther, having become the wife of Gideon P. Mason. She was born March 12, 1832, her marriage was celebrated January 12, 1859, and she passed away March 2, 1907, while Gideon Peck Mason died February 25, 1905. He was a farmer of Bristol county, Massachusetts, spending his entire life near Swansea, and he and his wife were well known and highly respected people of that locality.

Albert C. Mason, whose name introduces this review, was reared and educated at Swansea, Massachusetts, and at Warren, Rhode Island. After completing his studies he turned his attention to the drug business, becoming a clerk in that line when eighteen years of age. He has since concentrated his efforts and attention upon the drug trade and became a registered pharmacist on the 21st of March, 1892, in Massachusetts, while in 1893, he was licensed as a registered pharmacist in Rhode Island. He took up his abode in Franklin in January, 1891, and was employed in the drug store of Howard S. Wilkes for two years, on the expiration of which period he purchased the business of his employer in partnership with Eben H. Googins. Their business association continued for three years, at the end of which time Mr. Mason bought the interest of

his partner and has since conducted the business alone. He has a first-class store, carries a large stock and enjoys an extensive and well deserved patronage, the integrity of his business methods and his unfaltering enterprise commending him to the confidence and support of the general public.

On the 9th of October, 1897, Mr. Mason was united in marriage to Miss Mabel Munson, a daughter of Theodore H. and Lovicy F. (Maker) Munson, who were natives of East Machias, Washington county, Maine. Her father was a sea captain, devoting his entire life to the sea. His death occurred June 7, 1877, while his wife died August 6, 1907, having survived him for thirty years. In the Munson line the ancestry is traced back to Joseph and Sarah (Morse) Munson of Scarboro and Machias, Maine. The latter was born January 23, 1722, and they were married June 24, 1749. Joseph and Sarah (Morse) Munson were the parents of John Munson, of Machias, Maine. He had married Sarah Niles, who was born April 26, 1764. They were the parents of Jeremiah Munson, who was born March 14, 1789, at Whiting, Maine. He was married in May, 1815, and died September 10, 1870. His son, Theodore Hill Munson, was born at East Machias, Maine, October 13, 1817, and married Lovicy F. Maker, as previously stated, their daughter Mabel Munson becoming the wife of Albert C. Mason. The mother of Theodore H. Munson was Mary Hill and was a descendant of Joseph and Sarah Niles (Smith) Hill. Joseph Hill was born September 25, 1743, and his wife was born March 7, 1736. They resided at East Machias, Maine, and he died October 1, 1812, while his wife's death occurred June 15, 1811. Their son, Enoch Hill, was born November 23, 1775, and married Hepsibah Gardner, a daughter of David and Zorish (Huntley) Gardner, the former born May 9, 1750. They were married August 18, 1771. Hepsibah Gardner, as stated, became the wife of Enoch Hill. They, too, made their home at Machias, Maine, and his death occurred February 8, 1850, while his wife died March 11, 1860. Their daughter Mary became the mother of Theodore H. Munson, who married Lovicy F. Maker and thus brought into the family relationship another of the old families of New England. The ancestry of the Maker family is traced back to John Maker, who was born September 30, 1759, and died February 14, 1829. He had passed his life at Cutler, Maine. His wife bore the maiden name of Molly Gray and was born November 4, 1763, a daughter of Reuben and Abigail (Black) Gray. Her father was born May 7, 1745, and died March 11, 1832, while her mother was born May 31, 1745,

and died August 24, 1820. Their daughter Molly became the wife of John Maker and died January 12, 1840. Mr. and Mrs. John Maker were the parents of Reuben Maker, who was born February 20, 1797. He married Betsey Ramsdell, who was born September 11, 1802, and was a daughter of Bartlett and Emma (Bean) Ramsdell. Bartlett Ramsdell was a son of Nehemiah and Rebecca (Chamberlain) Ramsdell. Nehemiah Ramsdell was born November 13, 1734, and his wife in 1736. Their son Bartlett was born February 18, 1770, and on the 14th of April, 1796, married Emma Bean, who was born December 6, 1773, and died July 22, 1814, while his death occurred January 25, 1832. Bartlett and Emma (Bean) Ramsdell were the parents of Betsey Ramsdell, who was born September 11, 1802, and on the 22d of March, 1819, became the wife of Reuben Maker. They resided at Cutler, Maine, and Reuben Maker passed away November 10, 1875, while his wife survived until January 10, 1897. Their daughter, Lovicy Maker, became the wife of Theodore H. Munson and they in turn were parents of Mabel Munson, the wife of Albert C. Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason occupy a very attractive residence at No. 67 Alpine street in Franklin, theirs being one of the finest homes of the town. Fraternally he is a Mason of high rank, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he is also a member of the Mystic Shrine. His political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is interested in all that has to do with the progress and welfare of his community and gives his hearty co-operation to all plans and measures for the general good. At the same time he has carefully and wisely directed his business affairs and success has attended his efforts in this connection.

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### HARRIE F. GRAY.

Harrie F. Gray, occupying the position of treasurer of the Foxboro Savings Bank and well known as a representative of financial interests in his section of Norfolk county, was born January 12, 1869, in Foxboro, his parents being Lewis E. and Sarah M. (Curtis) Gray, who are natives of Massachusetts, the former having been born in the eastern part of the state, while the latter was born in Stoughton, Norfolk county. It was in the year 1849 that Lewis E. Gray established his home in Foxboro, where he was employed in the mills for several years. He then engaged in business on his own account

and was associated with his son Harrie in the news business for thirty years and four months. The father retired, however, a few years before from the active management of the business. He is still well known in financial connections as the president of the Foxboro Savings Bank and both he and his wife are numbered among the most highly esteemed and valued residents of the city in which they reside.

Harrie F. Gray, spending his youthful days under the parental roof, was educated in the schools of Foxboro and when his textbooks were put aside he became connected with his father in business, an association that was maintained until March 1, 1915. On April 20, 1916, he became an active factor in the conduct of the Foxboro Savings Bank, assuming the duties of treasurer, in which capacity he has since served, making an excellent record in this connection. This is one of the old established banking institutions of Norfolk county, having been organized and incorporated in 1855. Today there is a million dollars on deposit in this bank. Aside from Lewis E. Gray, who is the president, the other officers are: Horace G. Smith and Jarvis Williams, vice presidents; and Harrie F. Gray, treasurer. Since entering upon active connection with this bank the last named has bent every energy toward the mastery of the principles of the banking business and is now bending his activities to constructive effort, administrative direction and executive control.

On the 26th of January, 1898, Mr. Gray was united in marriage to Miss Mary J. Lindley, a daughter of Captain Henry C. and Mary J. (Perry) Lindley, the former a native of Watertown, Massachusetts, while the later was born in Rochester, this state, and in early life became a resident of Foxboro. Mr. Lindley enlisted from Foxboro for active service in the Civil war and was also a veteran of the Mexican war. He was a carpenter by trade and when not engaged in the military service of his country followed building operations, doing active work in that connection. Both he and his wife have departed this life.

Mr. Gray has long figured prominently in association with public affairs. He is connected with the electric light department of the city as a member of the prudential committee and he was connected with the fire department for thirty years, acting as engineer during a part of that time. He has also served as clerk and treasurer of the water district for a number of years and he cooperates heartily in all well formulated plans and projects for the advancement of municipal interests and for the upholding of civic standards. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity, having taken the degrees of lodge,

chapter, commandery and Mystic Shrine, and he is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His political faith is that of the democratic party and he has served as chairman of the democratic town committee for a number of years. He has never deviated from a course which he has believed to be right between himself and his fellowmen, and the sterling worth of his character has commended him to the confidence and respect of all with whom he has been associated.

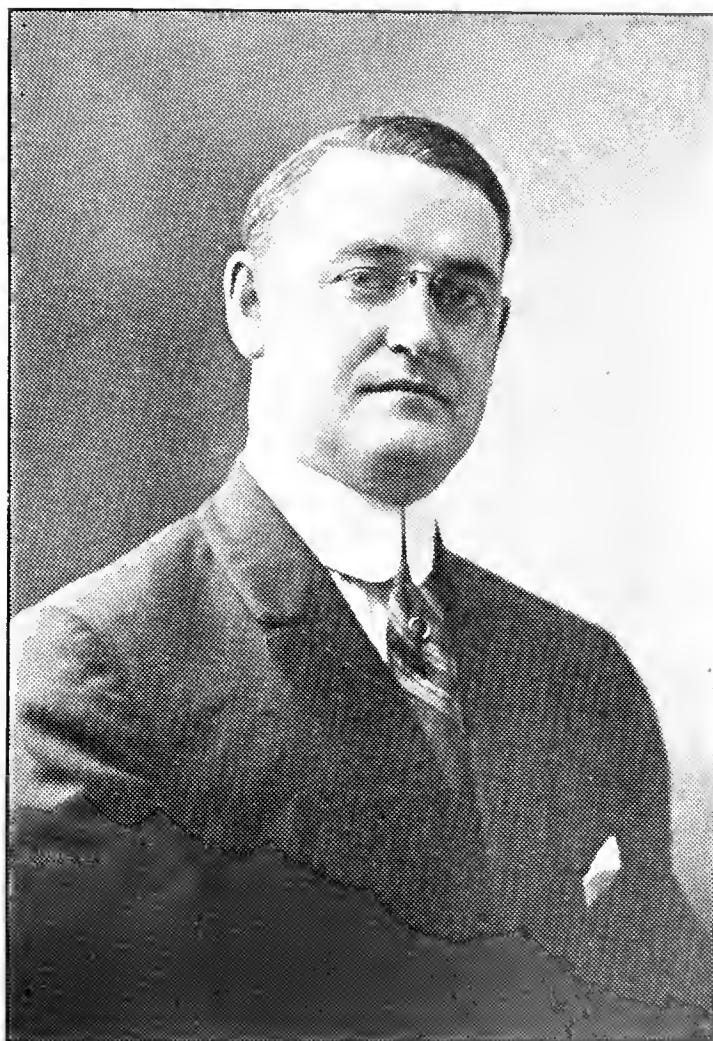
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### JOSEPH R. MCCOOLE.

Norfolk county on the whole has been favored in the class of men who have occupied her public positions. There are few who have not been loyal to trust and capable in the performance of the duties that devolve upon them. Proving most efficient and trustworthy is Joseph R. McCoolle who is now register of probate and insolvency and makes his home in Dedham, where he was born in 1879. His father, P. J. McCoolle, was a native of Somerville, Massachusetts, born in 1857, and his life record was ended in death in 1886. His wife, who in her maidenhood was Ann J. Carlin, was born in Dedham and, long surviving her husband, passed away in the year 1915. They were the parents of three sons, the brothers of Joseph R. McCoolle being: George F., who is now living in Quincy; and John A., of Dedham.

In the public schools of his native city Joseph R. McCoolle mastered the elementary branches of learning and afterward took up the study of law, being graduated with the class of 1908 from the Young Men's Christian Association Law School, now the Northeastern College of Law, in Boston. Prior to his graduation, beginning in 1895, he had become a clerk in the office of the register of probate and insolvency in Dedham. Ten years later, on the 1st of June, 1905, he was appointed assistant register and held that office until November, 1913, when he was elected to the position of register, assuming the duties of the office on the 1st of January, 1914. When a candidate for register of probate and insolvency he received the unanimous endorsement of the Norfolk Bar Association. He has made a most excellent record in office and his ability is attested by the stanch and liberal support which he received when a candidate for the position.

On the 25th of June, 1907, in Dedham, Mr. McCoolle was united



JOSEPH R. MCCOOLE





in marriage to Miss Sarah E. Harris, a daughter of John A. Harris, and they have one child, Pauline. The religious faith of Mr. and Mrs. McCooles is that of the Catholic church and he is identified with the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Order of Foresters. He also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. His political support is given to the republican party and he has been an active worker in its local ranks, doing all in his power to promote its growth and insure its success. He is now serving as vice president of the Norfolk County Republican Club. Mr. McCooles is widely known and he has a social, genial nature which wins him friends wherever he goes. All who know him, and he has a very wide acquaintance, speak of him in terms of high regard, enjoy his companionship and regard him as one of the most capable men in public office in this section of the state.

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#### PROFESSOR ARTHUR W. PEIRCE.

Professor Arthur W. Peirce, head master of Dean Academy at Franklin, was born in Arlington, Massachusetts, June 3, 1860, a son of John Winslow and Anna Lydia Peirce. The father was also a native of Arlington and was a representative of one of the old families of Massachusetts, being a descendant of John Peirce, of Watertown, who settled there in 1630 on coming from England to the new world. Representatives of the family took active part in winning American independence during the Revolutionary war, Solomon Peirce, the great-great-grandfather of Professor Peirce, having served with the rank of captain in the colonial army. He participated in the battles of Lexington, Bennington and Bunker Hill, engagements that contributed to the final victory which crowned the American arms. John Winslow Peirce was a successful coal merchant and also a prominent and influential citizen, being called upon by his fellow townsmen to represent them in the state legislature in 1872. He was elected upon the republican ticket, and was long a very active and earnest supporter of republican principles. He died in Arlington in 1885, when but fifty years of age. His wife was a native of Watertown, Massachusetts, and was a descendant of John Pierce. She came from the same ancestral line as her husband but her branch of the family spelled the name Pierce, while the original spelling was Peirce. The death of Mrs. Peirce occurred in 1863, leaving Professor Peirce as the only surviving member of

the family. There had been another son, who died, however, at the age of four years.

After mastering the branches of learning taught in the public and high schools of his native city, Professor Peirce of this review continued his studies in Tufts College of Boston and won his Bachelor of Arts degree upon graduation with the class of 1882. In 1900 the honorary degree of Litt. D. was conferred upon him by Tufts College of Boston. Following his graduation he took up the profession of teaching, becoming connected with Goddard Seminary of Barre, Vermont. There he continued in that position until 1891, when he was made principal of Goddard Seminary, remaining at the head of the institution until April, 1897, when he came to Franklin, Massachusetts, to assume the position of head master of Dean Academy. For twenty-one years he has remained in this position and his efforts have ever been stimulated by the most earnest desire to advance the interests of the school and promote the efficient methods of instruction. His work has been attended by most gratifying results and the consensus of public opinion places him among the able educators of New England. In addition to his work in the teaching profession he is a director of the Franklin Bank of Franklin, is president of the Universalist Publishing Company of Boston and is a trustee of Tufts College of Boston.

On the 25th of June, 1903, Professor Peirce was married to Miss Lydia Paine Ray, a daughter of Joseph G. and Emily (Rockwood) Ray, representatives of a very old and prominent family of Franklin.

Professor Peirce always votes with the republican party but has never held office of a purely political nature. He has served, however, as president of the Franklin Library Association and has been an active worker in the Universalist church, serving for years on its parish committee. He is well known in club circles as a member of the Boston City and of the Boston University Clubs.

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### THOMAS PAUL MURRAY.

Thomas Paul Murray, filling the office of town treasurer at Dedham, was born in East Boston on the 2d of February, 1852. His father, David Murray, was a native of County Cork, Ireland, born on the 1st of April 1819. He came to the United States in 1847 with his wife, who in her maidenhood was Ann O'Leary. In 1849 they established their home in Dedham, where their remaining days

were passed, the death of the father occurring in 1892, while the mother passed away in 1886.

Reared under the parental roof, Thomas Paul Murray pursued his education in the schools of Dedham until he reached the age of fifteen years and then started out in the business world, securing employment in a cotton mill at Readville, Norfolk county. After remaining there for a year he sought employment in a woolen mill in Hyde Park, near Readville, where he also remained for a year. He then returned to Dedham and for seven years was connected with a grocery store, after which he spent a year in a grocery house in Stoughton, Norfolk county. Again he returned to Dedham and accepted the position of manager of a grocery store, of which he thus had charge for three years. On the expiration of that period he purchased the business and also bought an adjoining lot, on which he erected a business block and opened another store. In 1906 he sold out his block and his business and has since that time largely devoted his attention to real estate activity and to the insurance business, as well as to official duties which have devolved upon him. Since 1886 he has been a director and the treasurer of the Dedham Cooperative Bank.

On the 24th of September, 1886, in Franklin, Norfolk county, Massachusetts, Mr. Murray was united in marriage to Miss Sarah Ann Frances Dowling, a daughter of the late Dennis Dowling. To them have been born five children, as follows: Thomas Paul, whose birth occurred on the 24th of September, 1887, and who passed away in 1902; Mary Theresa, the wife of Martin A. Carney; Sarah Dowling; Veronica Paul; and Leo Joseph whose natal day was March 18, 1906.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic church. Mr. Murray belongs to the Society in Dedham for the Apprehension of Horse Thieves. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party and he has been called to serve in various positions of public honor and trust. For twenty years he has filled the office of justice of the peace. In March, 1884, he was elected a selectman of Dedham and occupied that position for eleven consecutive years or until 1895, serving as chairman of the board of selectmen, while in 1893 and 1894 he was chairman of the board of assessors. He was also for a period of seven years a member of the board of overseers of the poor. From 1895 until 1901 Mr. Murray was not in public office, but in the latter year was elected a member of the board of sewer commissioners and was made its chairman. It was this board that prepared the report on which the present sewer system has been

established, and in 1901 and 1902 the board built eleven miles of sewer. Mr. Murray continued upon the board until March 1910, when he resigned to accept the office of town treasurer, to which he had been elected in 1910. In January, 1910, he was called to the office of deputy sheriff of Norfolk county and is now filling both positions—that of deputy sheriff and that of town treasurer. His official duties claim his entire time and attention and are discharged in a most capable, faithful and acceptable manner.

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### ERNEST B. SOUTHWORTH.

A prominent figure in the business circles of Stoughton is Ernest B. Southworth, a forceful and resourceful man, who is now occupying the responsible position of manager with the George E. Belcher Last Company and is thus controlling the activities of many employes in what is one of the largest and most important productive industries of the city. He was born in Stoughton, April 18, 1872, his parents being Gurdon and Sarah B. (Staples) Southworth, the former a native of Stoughton, while the latter was born in Lunenburg, Massachusetts. The father was a manufacturer of machine screws and later purchased an interest in a bakery business at Stoughton, becoming a member of the firm of Staples & Southworth. He was also prominent in community affairs and served as one of the selectmen of his town, while for two terms he represented his district in the state legislature, giving thoughtful and earnest consideration to the vital questions which came up for settlement during that period. At length he sold his bakery business and became interested in the Packard Dressing Company, with which he was identified to the time of his death, which occurred in March, 1912, when he was sixty-five years of age. His widow is still living.

Ernest B. Southworth supplemented his public school education, acquired in Stoughton, by a course in the Bryant & Stratton Business College at Boston and later entered upon his business career as an employe in the office of the Stoughton Rubber Company. There he remained for twenty years and, advancing step by step through successive promotions, was holding the position of superintendent at the time when he resigned on the 1st of April, 1909, to take his present position as manager with the George E. Belcher Last Company. Theirs is the largest manufactory in the world devoted to the making of men's welt lasts, and the fact that Mr.

Southworth has been chosen manager of this plant is indicative of his marked ability, resourcefulness and executive power.

In April, 1898, Mr. Southworth was appointed registrar of the town of Stoughton and still occupies that position. He belongs to the Chicatawbut Club, of which he was treasurer from 1911 until 1916. He is well known as a Mason, having taken the three degrees in Rising Star Lodge, F. & A. M., in May, 1901. He has passed through all of the chairs of the lodge and was worshipful master in 1907, occupying the position for two years. Following the death of his father, who had been treasurer of the lodge for twenty-five years, Mr. Southworth of this review was elected to the position and is still acting in that capacity. In 1904 he became a member of Mount Zion Chapter, R. A. M., and the following year was elected to office in that organization and became high priest in 1913. In 1915 he was elected treasurer, again succeeding his father in the office in the chapter. He belongs to Brockton Council, R. & S. M., and to Bay State Commandery, No. 38, K. T. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. Aside from his other business connections he is the treasurer of the Pequa Press of Stoughton. His activities are wide and varied, bringing him into connection not only with important business interests but with those agencies which have to do with the development of high standards among men in all relations of life. The integrity of his purpose and the result of his activities have placed him with those men of Norfolk county who represent the highest type of American manhood and chivalry.

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### JUDGE CORNELIUS E. HALE.

Judge Cornelius E. Hale, who on the 26th of December, 1916, was appointed special justice of the district court of western Norfolk and who since 1906 had figured as a representative member of the Norfolk county bar, his developing powers bringing him to a prominent position in the ranks of the legal profession, was born in Walpole, Massachusetts, August 15, 1874, a son of Timothy and Joanna Hale. He acquired a public school education in Walpole and afterward studied under tutorship. He also took up the study of law under private instruction and while thus engaged provided for his expenses by service as a telegraph operator.

In June, 1906, having thoroughly qualified for the profession, Judge Hale passed the required examination and was admitted to the bar. He at once entered upon practice, and while advancement in the law is proverbially slow, no dreary novitiate awaited him. His practice steadily grew as he demonstrated his ability to successfully solve intricate legal problems. He prepared his cases with great thoroughness and the public recognized his painstaking effort and his loyalty to the interests of his clients. But while his devotion to his clients' interests has become proverbial, he has always recognized the fact that he owes a still higher allegiance to the majesty of the law. He continued in active practice until December 26, 1916, when he took his place upon the bench as special justice of the district court of western Norfolk and is now making an excellent record in that connection.

On the 24th of September, 1907, Mr. Hale was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Delaney, a daughter of Daniel Delaney, and their children are Timothy J., Cornelius E., Jr., Joanna and Mary M.

Judge Hale is well known by reason of his active and important service in behalf of the town of Walpole, where his entire life has been passed. He served as selectman of the town from 1905 until 1910 and was chairman of the board of selectmen in 1911. He was also overseer of the poor of the town of Walpole from 1905 until 1910. He has ever been keenly interested in all those things which have to do with the welfare and progress of the community in which he resides and his efforts have been of a practical character, far-reaching and resultant.

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### GEORGE NELSON GASKILL.

George Nelson Gaskill, who for many years was actively identified with business interests in Franklin but is now living retired, enjoying a rest which he has truly earned and richly deserves, was born in Bellingham, Norfolk county, on the 29th of April, 1847, his parents being William and Abigail (Hubbard) Gaskill, the former a native of Cumberland, Rhode Island, and the latter of Franklin, Massachusetts. The paternal grandfather, who also bore the name of William Gaskill, was but two years of age when his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Gaskill, removed to Pelham, Massachusetts, and there he resided until his death, devoting his life to the occupation of farming. His wife bore the maiden name of Phoebe Cook and

was a native of Cumberland, Rhode Island. When William Gaskill, father of George Nelson Gaskill, was a young man he established his home in Bellingham, Massachusetts, and purchased a tract of land, concentrating his energies upon its cultivation and development until his death, which occurred on the 14th of January, 1855. His widow survived him for almost two decades and died on the 9th of February, 1874. They were laid to rest in Franklin cemetery. In their family were three children: William Henry, who died in infancy; Sarah A., who resided in Billerica, Massachusetts, and passed away February 13, 1913; and George Nelson of this review.

In the district schools George N. Gaskill began his education, thus pursuing his studies until he reached the age of twelve years. The father had died when the son was but eight years of age and the mother removed with her family to Woonsocket, Rhode Island, when he was a little lad of twelve years. It was subsequent to that time that he attended the high school of Woonsocket for two years, after which he started out to provide for his own support and has since depended entirely upon his own resources. Whatever success he has achieved or enjoyed is the direct result of his persistent and earnest labors and his honorable dealing. He remained in the employ of others until he had attained his majority, working at different times at the trades of carpentering and butchering and also as a farm hand. When he reached adult age he went to Boston and pursued a course in the Bryant & Stratton Commercial College, from which he was graduated the following year. He then took up his abode in Franklin and secured employment in a box factory being for many years foreman for E. L. & O. F. Metcalf. In that year, in connection with his brother-in-law, Alfred Clark, Jr., he established an ice and lumber business which they conducted successfully until 1903, building up a trade of substantial and gratifying proportions. In the year indicated Mr. Gaskill sold his business and retired from active life, since which time he has enjoyed a rest which he truly merits. He owns a nice home at 125 East Central street and is most comfortably situated in life.

On the 1st of January, 1871, Mr. Gaskill was united in marriage to Miss Ann Eliza Clark, a daughter of Alfred and Polly (Wright) Clark, both of whom were natives of Franklin. Her father was a son of Nathan and Nancy (Payson) Clark, and was a butcher and farmer of Franklin, there carrying on business until his death, when his remains were interred in the Franklin cemetery. The father of Mrs. Gaskill devoted his attention for many years to the ice trade in Franklin and was one of the representative business

men of the city. The mother of Mrs. Gaskill traced her ancestry back to an American Revolutionary soldier, Seth Wright, who was buried in the Franklin cemetery. Her grandfather was Solomon Wright, a farmer of Bellingham. To Mr. and Mrs. Gaskill has been born a daughter, Edith Clark, who is now the wife of William B. Sommers, a banker living in New Haven, Connecticut, by whom she has one child, Rudolph Terrill, who is chief yeoman on the German interned boat, Amerika. He married Gladys M. Harding, a daughter of Russ and Nellie Harding, of Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaskill attend the Universalist church. They are people of the highest respectability and enjoy in unusual degree the warm regard and friendship of those who know them. In politics Mr. Gaskill is a republican, giving staunch support to the party, and for seven years he filled the office of overseer of the poor. He is a self-made man and his life should serve to inspire and encourage others, showing what may be accomplished through determined effort when guided by sound business judgment. His has been a most active and useful career and the most envious cannot grudge him his success, so honorably has it been won and so worthily used.

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### ALBERT F. NORRIS.

Such business enterprises as that of the Norris Noiseless Pedal Action Company, of which Albert F. Norris was the president, lend a substantial quality to commercial and industrial activity that has made Stoughton a fast growing center of trade. Never fearing to venture where favoring opportunity led the way, Albert F. Norris made steady progress in his business career and yet passed over the pitfalls into which unrestricted progressiveness is so frequently led. His activities were ever guided by a sound judgment that proved a balance wheel to his initiative and enabled him to focus his energies where fruition was certain. His life record began in August, 1841. He was born in New Hampshire of the marriage of Sabin C. and Sarah (Fletcher) Norris, the former a native of Vermont, while the latter was born in Brookline, New Hampshire. Albert F. Norris was a descendant in the seventh generation of ancestors who had lived on this side of the Atlantic and was thus connected with some of the oldest families of New England. His father was a farmer and manufacturer, conducting a wood-working factory, and throughout the greater part of his life he resided in New Hamp-









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shire, to which state he removed in his boyhood days. He died in 1868, while his wife long survived, being called to the home beyond in 1903.

Reared under the parental roof, there was no unusual circumstance or event to vary the routine of life for Albert F. Norris in his boyhood days, his attention being largely given to the acquirement of a common school and academic education. When his textbooks were put aside he took up machine work, becoming a machinist and following that pursuit for ten years. At the time of the Civil war he did not go to the front but was on active duty with the Home Guards in Philadelphia. In 1865 he became a resident of Massachusetts, taking up his abode in Boston, where for seven years he was in the employ of the Grover & Baker Sewing Machine Company. He then turned his attention to the manufacture of pianos and was engaged in that business for twenty-five years as a member of the firm of Norris & Fletcher. They were builders of the Norris & Fletcher piano and placed upon the market an instrument that became very popular. Mr. Fletcher at length retired from the business and was succeeded in the firm by Charles A. Hyde, after which pianos were manufactured under the name of Norris & Hyde. Mr. Norris was continually striving to improve the output of the factory and his study of the different parts of the piano at length led to his invention of the Norris noiseless pedal action, which he began to manufacture in Boston in 1900. The invention met a long-felt want of the piano trade and after a brief period Mr. Norris admitted his son, Clifton H., to a partnership in the business. In 1910 the plant was removed to Stoughton, at which time they purchased the French & Ward factory buildings, and through the intervening period they have developed important interests in Stoughton. The company has extended its output to include various lines of pianoforte hardware, including the patented detachment and toe-cap pedals, dowel guides, player action pedals and trap work and various other patented and important supplies for pianoforte manufacture. The Norris company was the first concern in the trade to manufacture pedal actions exclusively and they sell direct to piano manufacturers, their patrons being among the best known piano builders of the country. They are used on the Chickering, Miller, Emerson and McPhail pianos and many others of reputable make and excellence. Theirs is a large factory, splendidly equipped with the latest improved machinery for doing work of the character required, and their business is now being carried on at Stoughton under the most favorable con-

ditions, so that the output is steadily increasing. They also maintain offices in Boston.

In July, 1867, Mr. Norris was united in marriage to Miss Georgiana Bisbee and to them was born a son, Clifton H., whose birth occurred in November, 1875, and who is now a most progressive and enterprising business man—the president and owner of the Norris Noiseless Pedal Action Company. The wife and mother passed away in June, 1911, at the age of sixty-seven, after an illness that covered fifteen years. Mr. Norris was again married in September, 1912, his second union being with Julia Quincy Adams, a daughter of John Quincy Adams, a book publisher of Boston, who was widely known all over the United States and whose sons are now carrying on the business on Boylston street in Boston, being publishers of standard medical works.

Mr. Norris was a member of the Methodist church and his political support was given to the republican party. He also belonged to the Board of Trade of Stoughton and he was identified with the National Association of Piano Merchants of America, an organization which covers the entire country and holds its annual meetings at various points in the United States. Mr. Norris attended the last two meetings, one held in Chicago and one in San Francisco. These meetings are for the purpose of advancing the interests of the piano trade and are of great benefit to this line of business. In a summary of the life of Albert F. Norris it might well be said of him that his was a progressive spirit ruled by more than ordinary intelligence and good judgment, combined with a deep earnestness, impelled and fostered by indomitable perseverance, while his native justice expressed itself in correct principle and practice.

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### CHARLES STANTON HILL.

Charles Stanton Hill, an attorney at law, who attacks any knotty legal problem with an energy and enthusiasm that promises success in the attainment of his purpose, has practiced at the Boston bar since 1897. At the beginning of his legal career he was a young man of twenty-seven years. His birth occurred in Auburn, Maine, December 10, 1870, his father being Charles Wesley Hill, who was a native of Milo, Maine, and a representative of old families of Maine and New Hampshire, founded in America by an English ancestor who came to the new world at an early period in the col-

onization of this country. Members of the family participated in the French and Indian war and in the Revolutionary war. One of the ancestors of Mr. Hill of this review was in command of Fort Constitution at Portsmouth, and many were prominent and active throughout colonial days, while others have left the impress of their individuality upon the history of New England since the establishment of American independence. Charles Wesley Hill was in the wholesale dry goods business in Lewiston and at Portland, Maine, and was very successful in the conduct of his business affairs. During the period of the Civil war he volunteered for active service but through physical inability was unable to go to the front. However, he had three brothers who fought for the cause of the Union, all rendering distinguished service to their country. One of these was Brigadier General Jonathan Hill, another was Major Benjamin J. Hill and the third was Colonel Hollis B. Hill, all three of whom served throughout the entire period of hostilities. General Hill lost his right arm in the second battle of Bull Run. Charles Wesley Hill was a staunch republican in his political views and was a very active supporter of the principles in which he believed. He did everything possible to promote the success of his party and to advance those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and civic pride. He served on the city finance board, was a member of the school committee for a number of years and after a life of intense activity and usefulness, covering a period of fifty-six years, passed to the home beyond in July, 1893. His wife bore the maiden name of Mary Greenhalgh and was a representative of an old English family that for generations lived near Manchester, England. Her father was the Rev. Thomas Greenhalgh, who had the reputation of being in his day one of the most eloquent preachers in New England. He came to America in 1820. In his youth he learned the calico printing business and with two companions who came to America with him he established the first calico printing manufactory in the United States, opening the plant at Springfield, Maine. His daughter, Mrs. Hill, is still living and is a resident of Brookline, Massachusetts, making her home with her son, Charles Stanton of this review, who is an only child. Mrs. Hill is a direct descendant on the maternal side of General Charles O'Hara, who was her great-grandfather. It was General O'Hara, to whom General Cornwallis delivered his sword to be surrendered to Washington, thus bringing the Revolutionary war to a successful termination.

Charles S. Hill was educated in the public schools of Auburn, in the Edward Little high school and in the Wesleyan University of

Middletown, Connecticut, being graduated from the last named in 1892 with the Bachelor of Arts degree. He next entered Harvard College, where he pursued a two years' course in 1895 and 1896, and in 1897, having thus qualified for admission to the bar, was licensed to practice and opened his office in Boston, where he has since been actively and continuously engaged in professional work, specializing in late years in equity and corporation law. Prior to entering Harvard he was sub-master in the Edward Little high school of Auburn, Maine, filling the position for two years, from 1893 until 1895, and from his earnings he paid his tuition in the university. During the second year of his practice he was appointed attorney for the estate of John W. Keely, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the well known inventor and scientist, who startled the world by inventing a motor and a series of mechanical devices that it was believed would revolutionize the motive power of the world. These inventions received patents from all nations and experts of London and Paris and other world capitals recognized their worth and practicability. A company was organized and over three million dollars worth of stock was sold. On taking charge of the estate Mr. Hill made personal investigation and study of the wonderful invention and after thorough and lengthy research discovered the fraudulence of the inventions and immediately set forth to abolish the business and to prevent the further sale of stock. This brought forth a storm of protest from the officers of the company and stockholders, who firmly believed in the genuineness and the merit of the invention, with the result that the matter was brought into the courts and after many weeks of battle, in which he was opposed by the leading attorneys of the country, including John B. Johnson, Mr. Hill won his case, proving conclusively the fraud. During this period he was also offered a large sum to drop the case, but he declined to make his honor a marketable thing. In following this course he saved millions of dollars to the then eager investors and the case brought him international fame, for its progress was recorded daily in all of the leading journals not only of America but of Europe as well. During his residence in Boston since his admission to practice he has built up a steadily increasing clientage that has connected him with much litigation of a most important character.

On the 22d of October, 1908, Mr. Hill was married in Boston by Father Richards in the Church of the Immaculate Conception to Miss Effie Palmer, a niece of Governor John Palmer, of Illinois, who was at one time a candidate for president, and a daughter of the Rev. Elihu and Mary (McCue) Palmer, the former a Baptist



minister and a representative of an old Kentucky family. At the time of their marriage Mrs. Effie Hill was a resident of Denver. She is widely known in musical circles, having been educated for grand opera by leading masters of Paris, London and other European cities. She has taken a very active part in promoting musical interests of Boston and has often appeared in connection with the leading musical events not only of this city but in other cities as well.

In his political views Mr. Hill is a stalwart republican and has never been an aspirant for public office, preferring to concentrate his efforts and attention upon his professional interests, which have been of a character that has made continuous demands upon his time and energies, while his developing powers have placed him in the front rank among the distinguished lawyers of Boston. He has ever been careful to conform his practice to the highest standards of professional ethics. He gives to his clients a service of great talent, unwearied industry and rare learning, but he never forgets that there are certain things due to the court, to his own self-respect and, above all, to justice and a righteous administration of the law which neither the zeal of an advocate nor the pleasure of success permit him to disregard.

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### JOHN M. CROWLEY, M. D.

Dr. John M. Crowley, actively engaged in the practice of medicine at Franklin, was born in Hanover, New Hampshire, February 11, 1877, a son of Michael and Ellen (Kelley) Crowley, who were natives of the Emerald isle, the father having been born in Dunmanway, Ireland, and the mother in the city of Cork. They came to America as young people, the father being sixteen years of age when he crossed the Atlantic, and they were married in New Hampshire. Later in life the father engaged in gardening, making his home for many years at Hanover, New Hampshire, where he passed away in 1897, at the age of sixty-seven years. His widow still survives and is now living in Franklin, Massachusetts. They had a family of four children: Jeremiah B., who is the secretary and treasurer of the Western Bell Telephone Company at St. Louis, Missouri; John M., of this review; and Nora and Cornelius B., who are residents of Franklin.

In his boyhood days Dr. Crowley attended the high school of Hanover, New Hampshire, from which he was graduated and later he

completed a course in Dartmouth College of Hanover when nineteen years of age, being graduated in 1896. He spent three years in hospital work at the Children's Hospital, St. Elizabeth's Hospital and St. Mary's Hospital of Boston, Massachusetts, thus gaining broad knowledge and experience. In March, 1899, he located for private practice at Franklin, where he has since remained and his business has become of a most important character, his patronage being very extensive.

In November, 1900, Dr. Crowley was united in marriage to Miss Catherine G. Casey, of Boston, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Casey of that city. To them have been born four children but one son has passed away. Walter, born in 1905, in Franklin, is attending high school. Ellen C., born in 1907, and Joseph B., born in 1910, are also students in the schools of Franklin. The deceased son of the family was John, who was born in 1902 and died in 1910.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Roman Catholic church and Dr. Crowley is a member of the Knights of Columbus and of the Catholic Order of Foresters. His political support is given the republican party and he has served as a member of the board of health since 1905 and has been chairman of the board since 1910. He is a director of the Red Cross chapter at Franklin.

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#### ALONZO F. BENNETT.

Alonzo F. Bennett, deceased, was an honored veteran of the Civil war and for many years was actively engaged in business as a jewelry manufacturer. At length he retired and established his home at Wrentham, his native city, there spending his remaining days. He was born February 13, 1841, and was a son of Isaac F. and Lydia (Hayden) Bennett. The father was also a native of Wrentham and was a descendant of one of the pioneer families of New Hampshire. It was in that state that Isaac Bennett, grandfather of Alonzo F. Bennett, was born and while living among its granite hills he learned the cabinet maker's trade, after which he removed to Wrentham, Massachusetts, where he and his wife, who bore the maiden name of Elizabeth Randall, reared their family of thirteen children. Their son, Isaac F. Bennett, was born in Wrentham, September 10, 1810, and pursued his education in the public schools. He afterward learned the blacksmith's trade and also that of toolmaker in connection with the jewelry business. He was employed in that



ALONZO F. BENNETT



capacity in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, but finally retired and made his home with his son Alonzo throughout his remaining days, passing away in 1897, while his wife survived until January, 1903. They had a family of six children, namely: Ellen F.; Bradford A.; Alonzo F., of this review; Charles H.; Daniel; and Alice.

Alonzo F. Bennett was reared and educated in Wrentham and in his youthful days became familiar with all the duties and labors that fall to the lot of the agriculturist as he develops the fields. He was still quite young when he entered the employ of Sturdy & Shepardson, jewelry manufacturers, who at that time were conducting a factory at Wrentham Centre. After continuing with that firm for about two years Mr. Bennett went to North Attleboro, where he secured a position with the firm of E. Ira Richards & Company. He was employed in connection with the jewelry trade until after the outbreak of the Civil war. In 1862 he responded to the country's call for troops, enlisting as a member of the Forty-fifth Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, in which he held the rank of sergeant. He participated in several very hotly contested engagements, including the battles of Kingston and of Goldsboro, North Carolina. When the war was over and the country no longer needed his military support he returned to his home and resumed work at his trade in North Attleboro, where he continued in the manufacture of jewelry for seventeen years. It was in 1872 that he engaged in the jewelry business on his own account in connection with Charles P. Young under the firm style of Young & Bennett, at which time they occupied the basement in the Whiting building on Broad street. There they conducted their interests together until 1888, when the partnership was discontinued and later Mr. Bennett engaged in no business enterprises, save that for five years he was a silent partner in the firm of Riley, French & Heffron. After selling his interests at North Attleboro and retiring from active connection with the jewelry business he again took up his abode on a farm at Wrentham, there spending his remaining days.

On the 8th of October, 1888, Mr. Bennett was united in marriage to Miss Mary Allston Morss, a daughter of William and Jane D. (Goss) Morss, who are natives of Marblehead, Massachusetts. The father was a contractor and builder and removed from Marblehead to Melrose, Massachusetts, where he has since resided. For some time he has now lived retired from active business. His wife is also living. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett became the parents of two children: Helen F., who is a graduate of Wellesley College and is at home; and Alice, who is also a graduate of Wellesley and is the wife of A. H. Ewing,

who was formerly a minister of the Episcopal church but is now engaged in teaching in the Huntington school.

The husband and father passed away October 9, 1905, after a short illness, and his demise was the occasion of deep and widespread regret. In politics he was always a stalwart republican, giving unfaltering support to the principles of the party, and his religious faith was that of the Episcopal church. He guided his life according to its teachings and his sterling worth commanded for him the respect and goodwill of all. Mr. Bennett always found his greatest happiness at his own fireside. His every thought was for the happiness and welfare of his family, who at his death lost a loving husband and devoted father. One of the local papers at his demise spoke of him as: "one of the most prominent residents of Wrentham," and said: "There was no more genial or more universally esteemed man in this section. Lighthearted and cheery himself, he communicated cheerfulness to all whom he met. In his business life he was thorough and reliable and gave all his ability to the matter in hand, no matter how small or trivial it might be." Thoroughness was always one of his strong characteristics and thus it was that he accomplished what he undertook. His death has been the occasion of sincere sorrow and his memory is still cherished by all who knew him. Mrs. Bennett occupies a fine residence which was built by the French refugees two hundred years ago and her home is surrounded by a tract of land of sixty acres which is very valuable and productive.

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### HORACE W. LOWE.

Horace W. Lowe, a well known business man and representative citizen of Stoughton, is senior partner in the firm of Lowe & Powers, undertakers. He was born in Canton, Norfolk county, March 20, 1862, and is a son of Edmund A. and Susan E. (Withington) Lowe, the former a native of Canton, while the latter was born in Maine. The father became an engineer and was employed by various firms. He continued a resident of his native city until 1872, when he removed to Stoughton, where he spent his remaining days. His widow survives and has now reached the notable old age of ninety years.

In taking up the personal history of Horace W. Lowe we present to our readers the life record of one widely known in Norfolk

county. He spent his youthful days largely in the acquirement of a public school education in Canton and in Stoughton and later made his preliminary step in the business world as an employe of his uncle, Phineas Withington, who was engaged in the furniture and undertaking business. He bent his energies to a thorough mastery of the trade and displayed marked efficiency and capability in mastering the business. After a time he was admitted to a partnership by his uncle and their association continued for a number of years with mutual pleasure and profit. At length, however, Mr. Lowe purchased the interest of his uncle, who retired from business, and he then admitted Webster Smith to a partnership and later M. F. Powers. This association was maintained for a long period or until the death of Mr. Smith in October, 1916. The firm name is now Lowe & Powers and in January, 1917, Mr. Lowe and Mr. Powers admitted their sons to a partnership, so that Millard D. and Arthur W. Lowe and John J. Powers are now members of the firm. The three sons are also proprietors of the business conducted under the name of the Electric Knife Sharpening Company. The three young men own together a third interest in the undertaking business, each having a ninth share, in addition to their interest in the Electric Knife Sharpening Company. The firm of Lowe & Powers enjoys an extensive patronage, theirs being the only undertaking establishment in Stoughton.

On the 20th of June, 1883, Mr. Lowe was married to Miss Florence C. Drake, a daughter of Luther W. and Hannah (Swift) Drake, who were natives of Sandwich, Massachusetts, and removed to Stoughton, where they resided for twenty years or until Mr. Drake was called to the home beyond. The father was a glass cutter by trade and worked for many years for the Boston Sandwich Glass Works, but on establishing his home in Stoughton gave up his trade. He died in the year 1913, while his widow survives and now makes her home with Mr. and Mrs. Lowe, who have a family of two children, the sons previously mentioned—Millard D. and Arthur W., both of whom are yet under the parental roof.

Mr. Lowe votes with the republican party and fraternally he is a prominent Mason and is also connected with the Odd Fellows. He has membership in the lodge, chapter and council and in Bay State Commandery, K. T., all of Brockton, while his connection with the Mystic Shrine is that of a representative of the Temple at Boston. He likewise has connection with both the Odd Fellows lodge and the Rebekah degree at Stoughton. He belongs to the Board of Trade and is interested in all that has to do with

the progress and unbuilding of the community in which he makes his home. His religious faith is that of the Universalist church and his life has ever been actuated by high and honorable principles, which have made him a man whom to know is to esteem and honor. He has a wide acquaintance in Stoughton and throughout his section of Norfolk county and enjoys the warm regard of all with whom business or social relations have brought him in contact. His business today extends not only over Stoughton but also over Canton and Sharon and he has made for himself a creditable place as a representative of commercial interests in his part of the county.

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### HOMER V. SNOW.

Homer V. Snow has lived practically retired since 1892 but for many years was prominently identified with the manufacturing interests of Franklin, where he was a partner in a firm that conducted the leading hat manufactory of this section of Massachusetts. His business enterprise, his keen discernment and his indefatigable energy were salient elements in the development of an extensive trade and as the years passed he acquired the success that now places him among the men of affluence in Norfolk county.

Mr. Snow was born in that section of Mendon which is now East Blackstone on the 11th of September, 1837, and is a son of Cyrus B. and Catherine M. (Moore) Snow, the former a native of Easton, Massachusetts, while the latter was born in Holden, Massachusetts. The father was a manufacturer of straw goods in Franklin, where he established his home about 1841. He continued in business for many years and then removed to California, where he lived retired, making his home in Santa Cruz throughout his remaining days, his death occurring in 1885. He had long survived his wife, who departed this life in 1848.

Homer V. Snow was reared and educated in Franklin and when fifteen years of age began work in connection with straw manufacturing and throughout his entire business career was active in that field of labor. He early thoroughly acquainted himself with every branch of the business, advancing from one position to another as he gained knowledge and experience. In 1861 he went to New York city, where he was identified with a straw manufacturing enterprise until 1874. He then returned to Franklin and became one of the organizers of the firm of Hubbard, Snow & Bassett, which erected





HOMER V. SNOW



a large factory that is now operated under the name of the Golding factory. It is the largest in this part of the country and Mr. Snow continued actively in business until 1892, when he retired. The company engaged in the manufacture of ladies' and children's straw and felt hats and built up a business of extensive and gratifying proportions, their trade covering a wide area and increasing with the passing years. Mr. Snow was familiar with every feature of the manufacturing end of the business and his initiative spirit enabled him to institute various new methods and processes which resulted beneficially in the development of the trade. After withdrawing from the factory at Franklin he was in business in Boston for one year but has lived practically retired since 1892, enjoying a rest which he has richly earned and well deserves.

In June, 1861, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Snow and Miss Hattie Pillsbury and to them were born two children: Walter H., a resident of Boston; and Mattie S., the wife of Walter T. Johnson, living in Newark, New Jersey. The wife and mother passed away in March, 1880, after a long illness. On the 21st of December, 1881, Mr. Snow was again married, his second union being with Sara S. Thompson. They now have one child, Florence H., who is general secretary for the Smith College Alumni Association, at Northampton, Massachusetts, of which institution she is a graduate.

Mr. Snow served as assessor of Franklin for some time and has ever been interested in the matter of making Franklin an ideal municipality, cooperating heartily in many well defined plans and movements for the general good. His religious faith is that of the Christian Science church and his political belief that of the republican party. He owns twenty-seven acres of valuable land on Park road, in the midst of which he has erected an attractive residence, and here he is spending the evening of his days, his being "the blest accompaniments of age—honor, riches, troops of friends."

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#### WALTER L. SARGENT, M. D.

Dr. Walter L. Sargent, a member of the surgical staff of the city hospital at Quincy and actively engaged in the general practice of medicine in the city since January, 1905, was born in Concord, New Hampshire, August 27, 1877, and is a son of Walter C. and Charlotte (Calderwood) Sargent, the former a native of Quincy,

Massachusetts, while the latter was born in Maine. The paternal grandfather, Ezekiel Sargent, was proprietor of a stone quarry in Quincy at an early day and his son, Walter C. Sargent, engaged in the granite business there. The latter afterward removed to Concord, New Hampshire, where he continued in the same line, and still later became a resident of Munson, Massachusetts, where he passed away in 1890. His widow yet survives and is now living in Quincy.

Walter L. Sargent, in the acquirement of his education, attended the public schools of Concord, New Hampshire, of Montpelier, Vermont, of Munson and of Quincy, Massachusetts, and later was graduated from Adams Academy with the class of 1895. He then entered Williams College, in which he completed his course as a member of the class of 1899, and in preparation for a professional career he matriculated in the medical school of Harvard University and won his degree in 1903. He afterward spent two years in the Boston City Hospital, gaining that broad and valuable experience which only hospital practice can give. In January, 1905, he opened his office in Quincy, where he has since remained, concentrating his efforts and attention upon the general practice of medicine and surgery. His pronounced ability has brought him success in large measure and in addition to caring for an extensive private practice he is also serving on the surgical staff of the City Hospital. His professional standards are high and he puts forth every effort that will raise him to the level thereof. He belongs to the Norfolk South District Medical Association, to the Massachusetts Medical Association and to the American Medical Association and through the proceedings of those bodies, as well as by private study and reading, he keeps abreast with the advanced professional thought of the day.

In 1908 Dr. Sargent was united in marriage to Miss Clara Adelaide Pease, of Lee, Massachusetts, a daughter of Moses H. and Adelaide M. Pease. They now have two children, Morgan and Eliot, aged respectively seven and six years.

Dr. Sargent is a well known representative of Masonry, holding membership in Rural Lodge, F. & A. M.; St. Stephen's Chapter, R. A. M.; and Boston Council, R. & S. M. Dr. Sargent belongs to the First Parish Club and in these associations are found the rules which govern his conduct and guide him in the various relations of life. Something of the nature of his recreation is indicated in the fact that he is a member of the Wollaston Golf Club. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and his religious faith is in-

icated by his membership in the Congregational church. A progressive man, his spirit of enterprise has to do with public interests and duties as well as professional activity.

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### GEORGE W. ABELE.

George W. Abele, of Quincy, actively engaged in the practice of law as an associate in the firm of French, Abele & Allen, of Boston, his native city, was born on the 22d of February, 1875, a son of Francis I. and Anna Matilda (Gerber) Abele, the former a native of Boston, while the latter was born in Ohio. Francis I. Abele was a son of Francis I. Abele, Sr., who became a resident of Boston in early life. He soon took up the business of a machinist and is now residing in Quincy at the age of eighty years.

George W. Abele pursued his education in the public schools of Boston and attended the Roxbury Latin school, while later he pursued his classical course at Harvard, winning the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1897. He then matriculated in the law department and was graduated in 1900 with the LL. B. degree. He has since practiced in Boston, where he was first associated with William W. Jenness, taking over his practice on the death of Mr. Jenness in 1905. He is now associated in his law work with Asa P. French and the firm occupies a prominent position in the ranks of professional circles in Boston. Mr. Abele also maintains an office in Quincy and his practice is very extensive and of a most important character.

In 1910 Mr. Abele was united in marriage to Miss Lora M. Hunt, of Quincy, and in the social circles of the city they occupy a position of leadership. Mr. Abele belongs to Rural Lodge, F. & A. M., and has also taken the degrees of the chapter and the Knight Templar Commandery. He is a member of the Boston City Club, of the Neighborhood Club of Quincy, and he attends the Unitarian church. His political endorsement is given to the republican party and he served for three years as a member of the city council of Quincy, while for two years he was a member of the city planning board. He is now a trustee of the Thomas Crane public library and acted as chairman of that board for two years. His endorsement of any measure ensures to it a strong following, for it is a recognized fact that his aid and influence are always given on the side of progress and improvement. Along strictly professional lines he is iden-

tified with the Quincy Bar Association, the Norfolk County, the Massachusetts State and the American Bar Associations and colleagues and contemporaries attest the fact that he is an able and conscientious minister in the temple of justice.

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### LEWIS E. GRAY.

Lewis E. Gray is one of the honored and venerable citizens of Foxboro, where he is occupying the position of president of the Foxboro Savings Bank but is not active in its management and control. He has passed the seventy-sixth milestone on life's journey, his birth having occurred in Easton, Massachusetts, on the 20th of January, 1842, his parents being Lewis and Louisa (Packard) Gray. The father was a native of Cambridge, Massachusetts, while the mother was born in Easton. Lewis Gray, Sr., early learned and followed the harness maker's trade and after leaving Cambridge removed to Easton, where he resided until 1849, when he became a resident of Foxboro, Norfolk county, and there engaged in the harness making business throughout the remainder of his active life. He continued a resident of Foxboro until called to his final rest in May, 1877, and his widow also remained there until she, too, passed to the home beyond in April, 1890.

Lewis E. Gray was reared and educated in Foxboro and began work in a paper box factory, being connected with that line of business continuously for twenty-nine years. He then engaged in the conduct of a book store and news business, remaining active in that field of commerce for a similar period. He was associated in the undertaking with his son and at length retired but has continued to make his home in Foxboro. In the meantime he had become one of the investors in the Foxboro Savings Bank and is now its president, with his son Harry as the treasurer. Mr. Gray is not active in the management of the bank, for he prefers to live retired, enjoying a rest which he has truly earned and richly merits.

In July, 1865, Mr. Gray was united in marriage to Miss Sarah M. Curtis a daughter of Ephraim and Melinda (Wood) Curtis, the former a native of Stoughton, Massachusetts, while the latter was born in Middleboro. Mr. Curtis was a farmer by occupation and devoted the greater part of his life to general agricultural pursuits at Stoughton. He died about 1860 and was long survived by his widow, who passed away in September, 1887. To Mr. and Mrs.

Gray have been born two children: Harrie F., who is now treasurer of the Foxboro Savings Bank; and Hattie C., the twin of Harrie and the wife of Franklin A. Pettie, who is tax collector of Foxboro.

The religious faith of Mr. Gray is that of the Congregational church and its teachings have been the guiding element in his life. His political endorsement has been given to the republican party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He has always been a stalwart champion of its principles and has done everything in his power to promote its growth and extend its influence. He served for ten years in the office of town clerk, while for four years he was assessor. He has always loyally stood for those interests which he has believed to be for the benefit and upbuilding of his community and has been actuated in all that he has done by a public-spirited devotion to the general good. His life has been honorable in its purposes, worthy in its motives and, holding friendship inviolable, he has retained the warm regard and high respect of all who have known him.

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#### WALTER WATSON CHAMBERS.

Walter Watson Chambers, member of the bar and now filling the office of register of deeds at Dedham, was born in Boston in 1876 and comes of a family of English lineage, his paternal grandfather spending his entire life in England. His father, Henry James Chambers, was born in Kent, England, in 1842 and remained a resident of that country until he reached the age of thirty years, when in 1872 he crossed the Atlantic to the United States. He then established his home in Boston, where he was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Hole. In the year 1880 they removed to Dedham, where Mr. Chambers passed away in 1907. His widow survives and is yet a resident of Dedham.

Walter W. Chambers was but four years of age at the time the family home was established in Dedham, so that his early educational privileges were those afforded by the public schools of the city in which he still resides. In early manhood, after carefully reviewing the broad field of business with its almost limitless avenues of opportunity, he determined upon the practice of law as a life work and completed a course in North Eastern College with the class of 1905. The following year he was admitted to the bar in Boston and has since engaged in the practice of his profession in Dedham, winning

a good clientage that has identified him with much important litigation heard in the courts of his district.

On the 15th of September, 1909, Mr. Chambers was united in marriage in Amherst, Massachusetts, to Miss Elizabeth Smith, a daughter of the late William E. Smith, and they have become the parents of two sons, John Walter and William Henry.

Mr. and Mrs. Chambers are active and faithful members of the Methodist Episcopal church and fraternally he is connected with the Masonic lodge, exemplifying in his life the beneficent spirit of the craft. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and he is a member of the Norfolk County Republican Club. For twenty-three years he has been connected with the office of register of deeds and was appointed assistant in November, 1916. In June, 1917, he was appointed to the position of register of deeds of Norfolk county and was elected to that position in November, 1917, his preliminary service having proven his fitness for the position and his loyalty to the trust reposed in him. He is making a creditable record in this position by his promptness and his systematic discharge of the duties that devolve upon him and he is firmly established in public regard as one of the representative and valued residents of Dedham and of the county.

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### JAMES O. CHILSON.

James O. Chilson is one of the valued and respected citizens of Franklin, now living retired in the city in which for many years he was an active business man. He was born in South Bellingham, March 28, 1837, and has therefore passed the eighty-first milestone on life's journey. The family name appears to be another spelling of the ancient English Chilton, the second syllable of which means town, and a number of towns and parishes in England still bear the name. The coat of arms of the Chilton family of Wye, in County Kent, and of Cadiz, Spain, is: Argent, a chevron gules with a bordure gobonated or and azure. Crest: A griffon passant sable bezantee. Walsingham Chilson, the immigrant ancestor of all of this surname in Norfolk county, came doubtless from Kent, England, and settled at Marblehead before 1647. The records show that he was witness in a case in court in 1647 and that he owned a swamp lot in 1649. He and his wife, Mary, sold land in Marblehead to Francis Johnson, July 13, 1655. John Chilson, their only known child,





MR. AND MRS. JAMES O. CHILSON  
on their fortieth wedding anniversary



was born probably in England or possibly in Marblehead or at Lynn, Massachusetts. He married Sarah, daughter of Joseph Jenks, and resided at Lynn. Their children were as follows: John, who married Elizabeth Jenks; Walsingham; Joseph; Sarah, who married February 2, 1693-4; and William, who wedded Jane Rhodes.

Of this family Walsingham Chilson (II) was born in 1681 and died at Bellingham, Massachusetts, January 15, 1760. About 1738 he settled at South Bellingham and lived in the vicinity of Scott or Chilson Hill. He was a housewright and a farmer and his homestead is now owned by a lineal descendant, James A. Chilson. Before his death he deeded to his son Joseph all his property, including about four hundred acres of land near Hoag Lake. He was a tythingman in 1742 and in 1744 was on the school committee. The same year he was employed by the town to repair the meeting house and in 1738 he with others appeared in court to protest against the interference by the town in church affairs. He was married October 20, 1709, to Susanne Edmunds, at Lynn. Their children were: Joseph; Dorcas, who died November 18, 1743; John, who died October 7, 1741; Mary, who died July 14, 1736; Sarah, who died July 19, 1747; and Susanne, who was married May 9, 1744, to Jonathan Bosworth.

Joseph Chilson, son of Walsingham Chilson (II), was born at Lynn and died at Bellingham, February 8, 1778. He removed with his parents to South Bellingham and conducted a blacksmith shop on the road from Bellingham to Woonsocket. It was customary for the town to post the town warrants on the front of his shop, as it was a much frequented place. He was employed by the town to enlarge the pound. He served as town clerk from 1745 to 1764. His name, as well as his father's, often appears on the records of the town. He was married November 23, 1744, to Mercy Shuttleworth, who was born at Wrentham, February 8, 1716, and died August 8, 1747. On the 15th of November, 1747, he married Lydia Pratt, who died March 29, 1789. He had one child of his first marriage, Martha, born April 13, 1746. The children of his second marriage were: Joseph, born July 17, 1751; John, born February 3, 1754; Joshua, born July 8, 1756; Jedediah, born April 18, 1758; and Mary, born June 23, 1761.

John Chilson (II), son of Joseph Chilson, was born at South Bellingham, February 3, 1754, and died there December 5, 1830. He was brought up on his father's farm and attended the common schools. He was a prosperous farmer, keeping forty head of cattle. At one time he engaged in the manufacture of cotton goods in the old

stone mill near his house. In the early part of 1800 this mill was burned and later a sawmill was erected near Hoag Lake but was destroyed in 1816 and replaced by a new mill, which was only recently demolished. He served in the Revolution in Captain Jesse Holbrook's company, which marched on the Lexington alarm April 19, 1775; also in Captain Amos Ellis' company, Major Seth Bulard's regiment (Fourth Suffolk) in 1780 and marched to Tiverton, Rhode Island, on the alarm in 1780. He was also in Captain Holbrook's company, Colonel Wheelock's regiment, in 1776, in Warwick, Rhode Island. His death was caused by a fall backward over a pair of bars, breaking his neck, and he was laid to rest in the old cemetery at South Bellingham. He was very kind-hearted and generous, giving largely to all worthy public enterprises and private needs. He was one of ten who contributed the necessary funds to complete the town house March 15, 1800. On the 3d of January, 1782, he married Mrs. Abigail Draper, who was born in 1756 and died June 29, 1834. Anna Chilson, the eldest of their children, was born October 3, 1783, and was married February 12, 1804, to Colonel Joseph Rockwood and they had nine children, namely: Lucena Rockwood, born October 18, 1806; Preston, born August 2, 1808; Artman, born December 23, 1810; Susan, May 15, 1813; Maria, October 13, 1815; Joseph Munroe, July 1, 1818; John, January 25, 1821; Emily, June 2, 1823; and Abbie, born May 30, 1826. Ichabod Chilson, the second child of John Chilson, was born August 29, 1785, and was married in 1808, to Deborah Holbrook. They had four children: Sullivan; Jonathan, born January 30, 1810; Draper, March 29, 1811, and died October 29, 1815; and Caleb Adams, who was born January 2, 1813, and died November 9, 1816. John Chilson, the third member of the family of John Chilson (II), was born January 2, 1788, and died February 12, 1789. John, the fourth member of the family, was born October 25, 1790, and died March 14, 1841. He was married November 29, 1823, to Elmira Cook and they had two children: John Draper, born October 29, 1824; and Lucius Addison, born May 31, 1830. Nabby, the fifth member of the family of John Chilson (II), was born June 27, 1793, and was married December 8, 1816, to Captain Amos Hill. Martin, born April 25, 1797, was married January 3, 1819, to Lavina Scott. Orrin was the youngest member of the family.

Orrin Chilson was born in South Bellingham, July 26, 1799, and there passed away September 6, 1863. He attended the district school and worked with his father on the farm. At the latter's death in 1830 he assumed the management of the farm and became

a progressive and successful agriculturist. He also slaughtered beef for the local market. In politics he was a whig and in religious faith a Baptist. His ideals were high and his conduct above reproach. By reading and observation he kept well informed and was a liberal minded man. His home was noted for its hospitality. At Franklin, in 1825, he married Diadema Cook, who was born May 5, 1808, a daughter of Reuben and Nancy (Whipple) Cook, who were of English descent, and the former was a son of Silas Cook. The family lived originally at Pelham, Massachusetts. The parents of Mrs. Orrin Chilson made their home at Bellingham, where Mr. Cook followed the occupation of farming, and later Reuben Cook lived for many years upon a farm near the village of Franklin. In the family of Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Chilson were ten children. Martha Whipple, who was born March 20, 1826, and died in 1854, was married on the 11th of November, 1846, to William E. Hubbard, of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, and had one son, Edward Livingstone Hubbard, who was born February 22, 1849. Reuben, the second member of the family, was born October 13, 1828, and was married February 3, 1853, to Hannah J. Cook, of South Bellingham. He served as postmaster and was also a merchant of Bellingham and later became a farmer of East Woonsocket, Rhode Island, where he passed away. He had a son, Irving Elwood, who was born January 29, 1854, and who married Carmilla Carroll and had one child, Homer Lyon, while the other children of his family were: Carrian Thurber, who was born June 14, 1856, and died January 29, 1890; Worthy Cook, who was born July 28, 1858, and died April 30, 1875; Ann May, who was born April 2, 1861, and died February 20, 1863; Bernard Burnside, who was born June 6, 1864, and married Alida Blanchard, their daughter, Mildred Beatrice, being born December 21, 1896; Etta Frances, who was born in 1866, and was married June 12, 1888, to Robert Lee Hawkins, their children being Ida Louise Hawkins, who was born April 11, 1889, and died August 27, 1905, and Florence Ida Hawkins, born June 27, 1906; Wilmar Grant, who was born January 3, 1869, and died September, 1872; Bertha Avis, who was born June 8, 1872, and died July 15, 1872; Luther George, who was born September 24, 1873, and died in 1874; Mattie Jane, who was born February 20, 1875, and died on the 30th of April of that year.

Orrin Chilson, the third member of the family of Orrin Chilson, Sr., was born October 6, 1830, and engaged in the butchering business at South Bellingham until his death, which occurred September 18, 1901. On the 27th of September, 1858, he had married Almira

Belinda Cook and their children were: Austin Burnside, who was born October 13, 1861, and was married October 1, 1890, to Carrie Louise Grant, by whom he had two children—Stanley Grant, born July 30, 1891, and Grace Louise, born December 27, 1897; and Minnie Bell, born August 24, 1865.

Diadama Cook, the fourth member of the family of Orrin Chilson, Sr., was born October 28, 1832, and died in March, 1880. She was the wife of Frederick A. Sherburne, a farmer and straw worker of Bellingham.

Libbeus, the fifth member of the family, was born March 1, 1835, and died in December, 1906. He was a boot maker of South Bellingham and he married Eliza J. Warring, of Hopkinton, by whom he had one child, Loring, and after the death of his first wife he married Louise Weldon and they had a daughter, Pearl, who became the wife of George Taylor and had a daughter, Lillian.

James Olney, whose name introduces this review, was the sixth member of the family.

Lewis M., born in 1842, died December 14, 1901. He was married December 6, 1865, to Frances M. Sherman, of South Bellingham and their children were: Ida Lewis, born October 10, 1874, and married February 19, 1902, to Fred Orrell; Nettie Frances, born September 4, 1877; and Lester Sherman, born March 28, 1891.

Mary E., the eighth of the family, died in infancy in 1846.

Eliza Ellen, the ninth member of the family, was born May 29, 1848, and became the wife of Edwin Cook, of South Franklin, and now resides in Woonsocket, Rhode Island. Their children are: Lloyd Milton Cook, born August 22, 1872, and married November 12, 1901, to Cora May Adams; Ethel Cook, born September 14, 1874; Maud Eliza, born July 9, 1880, and married October 28, 1904, to Rufus Daniels Billings, by whom she has one child, Almira Cook Billings, born March 5, 1906; and Cheney Edwin Cook, born December 14, 1882.

Mariana Chilson, the youngest member of the family of Orrin Chilson, Sr., was born February 7, 1850, and now resides in Woonsocket, Rhode Island.

James Olney Chilson, the immediate subject of this review, was born at South Bellingham, March 28, 1837, and attended the public schools in the home district until he reached the age of eighteen years, after which he continued to work for his father upon the farm until he attained the age of twenty. At that time he went to work for his brother Orrin, who was a butcher and cattle trader, and in that employ drove a provision cart in connection with the other work

of the trade. After the death of his father, he and his brother Lewis conducted the home farm until 1866 and in that year he went to Franklin, where in company with Joseph W. Heaton, his brother-in-law, he bought out the meat market of the firm of Curtis & Marsh. This they conducted for four years, under the style of Heaton & Chilson, and in 1870 Mr. Chilson purchased his partner's interest and soon erected a building for the accommodation of his large and increasing trade. He also dressed cattle for the wholesale trade and was very successful. In 1891 he sold his business to Richardson & Emerson and retired from active business life save for the supervision which he gives to his investments in real estate. He resides on Dean avenue in Franklin. He has built and sold several cottages and houses in Franklin and in fact has erected over twenty buildings in the vicinity, including four of the finest homes in Franklin, but has sold most of them.

On the 10th of May, 1864, Mr. Chilson was married to Miss Melansa Grant Metcalf Heaton, who was born at Franklin, September 4, 1843, a daughter of Samuel and Tirzah (Carleton) Heaton, who were farming people of South Franklin until their death, when they were laid to rest in the cemetery at West Wrentham. Mrs. Chilson was the youngest of thirteen children, all of whom have passed away, George, Albert, Joseph W., Henry, Charles, Nellie and Melansa all having been laid to rest in the Franklin cemetery, while the others were buried at West Wrentham. The Heaton family is of English descent although the father of Mrs. Chilson was born in Massachusetts and the mother in Vermont. To Mr. and Mrs. Chilson were born the following named. Eva Mabel, born July 1, 1865, was married June 22, 1887, to Edward Bertham Sherman, postmaster of Franklin, and their children are: Florence Sherman, born August 4, 1889; Ralph Chester, July 26, 1891; Howard Allen, who was born April 12, 1893, and died July 29, 1905; Dean Carlton, who was born September 9, 1895; and Eva Maud Sherman, born December 12, 1896. Annie D'Ette, the second child of Mr. and Mrs. Chilson, was born March 14, 1869, and died June 19, 1874. Florence Chester, born January 2, 1873, died on the 17th of June, 1874. James Carlton, the fourth member of the family, was born May 13, 1877, and was married June 21, 1904, to Emma Helen Gertrude Dalton and their children are: Carlton Leroy, born March 27, 1905; James Walter, born May 2, 1906; and Robert Olney, January 2, 1908. Dean Leroy, the next member of the family of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Chilson, was born February 18, 1880, and was married July 27, 1904, to Edna Estelle Hursh. Their children are:

Frances Hursh, born July 26, 1905, and died December 8, 1906; and Margaret Elizabeth, born August 23, 1908. Walter Olney, the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. James O. Chilson, was born September 9, 1888, and died October 20, 1888. The death of the wife and mother, Mrs. Melansa Chilson, occurred September 30, 1917, and her demise was the occasion of deep and widespread regret, for she had endeared herself to many friends in the community and in the church through her lovable disposition, her neighborly thoughtfulness and her charming domesticity. She was a consistent member of the Universalist church and a helpful member of the Ladies' Social Circle. On the 24th of May, 1914, Mr. and Mrs. Chilson had celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, an occasion that was greatly enjoyed by the many friends who were in attendance. Mr. Chilson also belongs to the Universalist church, and his life has been guided by its teachings. For many years he gave his political allegiance to the democratic party and now maintains an independent attitude in politics. He is a charter member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Franklin and for forty-nine years has been identified with the Masonic fraternity, at all times exemplifying in his life the beneficent spirit upon which the organization is founded. He served on the board of assessors for ten years and has always stood for progress and improvement in public affairs.

His life has been crowned with substantial and honorable success. He built up a profitable business through indefatigable energy and honorable dealing and is now enabled to enjoy all of the comforts and many of the luxuries of life. He has remarkable activity and command of his faculties for one of his years and this is undoubtedly due in considerable measure to the fact that he has never used tobacco in any form. He is one of the most respected men of the community, an upright life having gained for him the confidence and goodwill of all who know him, and there is no one more worthy of mention among the representative residents of Norfolk county than James O. Chilson.

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### THOMAS STRETTON.

Honored and respected by all, Thomas Stretton occupies an enviable position in the business and manufacturing circles of Stoughton, not alone by reason of the success which he has achieved but also owing to the straightforward business policy which he has ever fol-





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lowed. It is true that he entered upon a business already established, but in developing and enlarging this he has shown initiative and enterprise and is today president and treasurer of the Charles Stretton & Son Company, controlling one of the most important manufacturing interests of Stoughton.

Mr. Stretton was born in England, November 12, 1852, and is a son of Charles and Priscilla (Warren) Stretton, who were also natives of that country, where they resided until 1853, when they brought their family to the new world, establishing their home in Philadelphia, where they remained until 1866. They then removed to Canton, Norfolk county, Massachusetts, where the father was employed in the woolen mills until 1869. In that year he established a knit goods business on his own account and admitted his two sons, Thomas and John, to a partnership in the business, which was located at Canton. There they remained until 1891, when they removed the factory to Stoughton. At Canton they had made hand-knit goods but on locating in Stoughton they began the manufacture of underwear exclusively. It was at this time that the father retired from active connection with the business, which was then taken over by the two sons. The father continued to reside in Canton throughout his remaining days and there passed away in January, 1908, having for many years survived his wife, who had died in 1856.

Thomas Stretton was less than a year old when brought by his parents to the new world. He pursued his education in the schools of Philadelphia and of Canton and when but nine years of age began work in a factory. He has been identified with factory interests for fifty-six years and for a long period was associated with his father and brother in the conduct of the business of which he is now the head. His brother passed away in 1907, leaving Thomas Stretton as the sole proprietor of the business, which, however, is conducted under the name of the Charles Stretton & Son Company. In January, 1909, the factory was destroyed by fire and in the same year he erected his present factory, which is a large and very modern building three stories in height. It is light, well ventilated and has every safeguard. With the building of the new factory the business was incorporated, at which time C. W. Jones became associated with Mr. Stretton as assistant treasurer and manager of the new company. Their output includes one hundred and twenty-five dozen garments per day, mostly union suits. The company is represented upon the road by five traveling salesmen, who cover the entire country, selling to the large retail and department stores. Their business is constantly growing, a large force of workmen being con-

tinually employed in the factory, and they also have a considerable number of hands in other towns who are making fancy hand-knit goods.

On the 2d of November, 1880, Mr. Stretton was united in marriage to Miss Sarah F. Gay, a daughter of Ellis and Laura (Sinclair) Gay, who were natives of Canton, Massachusetts, and of Vermont respectively. The father was a fisherman and engaged in that business during the greater part of his life. His labors, however, were ended in death, January 21, 1903, and his wife passed away in 1869. Mr. and Mrs. Stretton became the parents of three children: Charles E. and Dorothy, both of whom died in infancy; and Marion S., the wife of Paul A. Esten, a chemist in the employ of Mr. Stretton in Stoughton.

Mr. Stretton, aside from his manufacturing interests, is a director of the Stoughton Trust Company. He belongs to the Universalist church and he gives his political endorsement to the republican party but does not seek office as a reward for party fealty, preferring to concentrate his efforts and attention upon other interests. He belongs to the Chicatawbut Club and fraternally is a prominent Mason, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, while with the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine he has crossed the sands of the desert. He is widely known in this as well as in business connections and he ranks with the representative and honored residents of his city. Step by step he has advanced, never fearing to venture where favoring opportunity pointed out the way. In other words he has never manifested that hesitancy which so often blocks progress but has been alert to the chances of the hour and his activities have largely been of a character that have not only contributed to his individual success but have also promoted the prosperity of the community.

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#### RALPH P. ROWE.

Ralph P. Rowe is an expert machinist, occupying the responsible position of manager at the factory of the George E. Belcher Company. He accomplishes with thoroughness everything that he undertakes and his diligence and determined spirit have been salient features in his business advancement. He was born in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, June 28, 1882, and his parents, Samuel and Henrietta (Brackett) Rowe, were also natives of that city. The father

was a carpenter by trade and was connected with building operations during much of his active life. He removed eventually to Sharon, Norfolk county, Massachusetts, where he is now living retired at the age of fifty-seven years, the activity of his former years supplying him with a competence that is sufficient to meet all of his needs. His wife passed away in 1912.

Ralph P. Rowe largely acquired his education in the Greenwood school at Hyde Park and also spent five years in study at Portsmouth, New Hampshire. He afterward learned the machinist's trade, for which he had a natural predilection, and in the development of his native powers he has attained a skill that places him in the foremost ranks among the expert machinists of this section of the state. He served his apprenticeship with the American Tool & Machine Company of Hyde Park and his training was most thorough. On the 7th of May, 1906, he came to Stoughton and entered the employ of George E. Belcher in the machine shop. From that time on the business grew steadily and under the management of Mr. Rowe has become one of the largest enterprises of this kind in the country. They now concentrate largely upon the manufacture of gigs, gauges, fixtures and tools and the high standard of their output has insured for them a constantly increasing trade. They have ever regarded satisfied patrons as their best recommendation and there are none who have used their goods who are not willing to speak a favorable word for them. Mr. Rowe is thoroughly familiar with every phase of the business by reason of practical experience and he is a man of determined purpose in whose vocabulary there is no such word as fail. He accomplishes what he undertakes and does it by direct methods that neither seek nor require disguise. He thoroughly understands the scientific principles which underlie his work as well as the practical phases of the business and his knowledge and skill have constituted two of the moving forces in the success of the George E. Belcher Machine Company.

On the 6th of December, 1903, Mr. Rowe was married to Miss Grace S. Crocker, a daughter of William B. and Sarah (Sinclair) Crocker, the former a native of Kentville, Nova Scotia, while the latter was born in Scotland. It was about 1887 that they became residents of Norfolk county, Massachusetts, establishing their home in Sharon. The father is a box maker by trade and for the past ten years has held the position of foreman of a box factory. To Mr. and Mrs. Rowe has been born one child, Natalie Osgood, whose birth occurred April 10, 1911.

Prior to his removal to Stoughton, Mr. Rowe resided in Sharon.

where he was employed by the government in the repairing of lighthouse appliances in connection with signal service work. At one time he was manager of the old Sharon ball team, which at that period enjoyed an enviable reputation. He has voted with the republican party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church. He is ever ready to extend a helping hand where aid is needed and he is a loyal exemplar of several fraternities. He has membership with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is a past grand of his lodge. He likewise belongs to Rising Star Lodge, F. & A. M.; to Cyprus Commandery, No. 39, K. T., of Hyde Park; and to Apollo Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Boston. His friends, and they are legion, find him a congenial companion, for he is a man of kindly disposition, with a saving sense of humor, and yet possessing the ability which enables him to meet every responsibility that devolves upon him.

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#### REV. JOHN B. HOLLAND.

Rev. John B. Holland, pastor of the Sacred Heart Catholic church on Washington street in Weymouth, was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, November 8, 1855, a son of John and Isabella (Murphy) Holland. His parents were natives of Ireland and when young people came to the new world. The father located for a time in Montreal, Canada, and when eighteen years of age crossed the border into the United States, making Boston his destination. He was a gas fitter by trade and he resided in Boston throughout his remaining days, passing away in July, 1907. His wife's death occurred in 1905.

Their son, Rev. John B. Holland, was reared in this state and pursued his early education in the public schools of Boston, passing through consecutive grades to his graduation from the high school. He then engaged in clerking for about ten years in that city after which he became a student in St. Charles' College at Ellicott City, Maryland. Returning to the north, he then entered St. John's Seminary at Brighton, Massachusetts, in which he spent five years as a student in preparation for the priesthood and was ordained in December, 1892. He then came to Weymouth, Massachusetts, and took up his priestly work in the Church of the Sacred Heart. He has here since remained, covering a period of twenty-four years, and he has the entire confidence and love of his people. A parochial



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school has been maintained, called the Sacred Heart School, which has an attendance of seventy-three pupils. The school is comparatively new and a grade is added each year. The present church edifice is a fine large brick building which was completed in 1883. The present convent, however, is one of the old colonial structures, being one hundred and twenty years old. It was formerly the old Wales Hotel, famous in stage coach days. It was used as a parish house for the whole south shore, which comprised a considerable territory, including Cohasset and Hingham.

Rev. Holland is acting as one of the trustees of the public library and is its oldest member in years of continuous service. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, but he concentrates his efforts and attention largely upon the upbuilding of the church and the spiritual advancement of its members. The church has three hundred and forty-three families, or sixteen hundred and forty people, under its charge, the parish covering Weymouth Landing and East Braintree.

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### GEORGE I. PECK.

George I. Peck is a grocer of Franklin, but the kind of grocer that he is tells the story of his success. At the outset of his career, actuated by a spirit of enterprise, he started upon an upward path that has placed him in the front rank among the progressive business men of this section of the state; and the plans and methods that he has followed cannot fail to prove of interest and should serve as a stimulus to effort on the part of others. Mr. Peck was born at Warren, Rhode Island, March 24, 1863, and is a son of George B. and Cordelia (Adams) Peck. In the paternal line he comes of English ancestry, the family having been founded in America by seven brothers who came to the new world at an early day. George B. Peck was also a native of Rhode Island and became a successful farmer, devoting many years to agricultural interests. Later he was a resident of Franklin and became superintendent of the Franklin Poor Farm. He married Cordelia Adams, a native of Pennsylvania but a representative of one of the old families of Rhode Island of English lineage that was planted on American soil at an early period. Both Mr. and Mrs. Peck have passed away. They had a family of four children, of whom George I. Peck was the youngest.

During his youthful days the public schools of Warren numbered

George I. Peck among their students. He also continued his education in Massachusetts after the removal of the family to this state and when a youth of sixteen years he started out to provide for his support independently. He first entered a meat market in order to learn the business and he remained in active connection with the meat trade in the employ of others for six years. He then began clerking in a grocery store and in 1886 he took up his abode in Franklin, where he secured employment with T. M. Turner, senior partner in the firm of Turner & Company, then proprietors of the leading grocery house of the city. They were carrying on business in the same store that Mr. Peck now occupies. He remained with the company for twelve years or until 1898, when he embarked in business on his own account. The building which he occupies has been used as a grocery store since 1850. In 1898 the stock was owned by the firm of Turner & Brimblecomb, who in that year sold out to E. L. Metcalf, who removed the goods to another building. In October of the same year Mr. Peck leased the building and as senior partner in the firm of Peck & Field embarked in the grocery trade on his own account. Success attended the new undertaking and the trade constantly increased. In May, 1902, Mr. Peck purchased the interest of his partner and has developed his business until he has the leading establishment and is known as the master grocer of Franklin. Not all days in his career have been equally bright, for on the 8th of December, 1909, the store suffered a severe loss by fire, but Mr. Peck at once resumed operations, securing temporary quarters in the store of the Franklin Job Print in Central Square. As soon as the old building was remodeled and repaired he again occupied it and he is now doing a business that amounts to more than sixty thousand dollars annually. Moreover, the trade is steadily increasing and he today employs eight salesmen, who give the best possible service and attention to the customers. He ever demands courtesy as well as efficiency on the part of employes and is most careful in the selection of the personnel of the house. The store is light and sanitary. The front is finished with solid French plate glass and the inside finished in cherry. Large, commodious counters are systematically arranged and many roll-top bins provide storing places for dry vegetables, in addition to which there are many spacious spice, tea and coffee bins and cans, with an improved electric coffee grinder. Near the center of the store is a five-tub glass-front butter box, with cheese and lard compartments, such as is seen only in the leading stores of the large cities. Fresh vegetables are kept in sanitary, dustproof, glass-covered receptacles and in fact "sanitary"

seems the watchword of the establishment. In addition to staple and fancy groceries and fresh vegetables, the second floor of the building is used for garden and field seeds and household utensils, and this branch of the business is proving a source of continued profit. Mr. Peck has introduced most systematic methods in handling orders and his delivery wagons visit outlying districts twice a week. An extensive line of goods sent out by the leading wholesale houses and manufacturers of the country is carried in this establishment, which ranks as the leading grocery house of Franklin and one of the best in all New England.

On the 24th of August, 1883, Mr. Peck was united in marriage in South Framingham to Miss Alice G. Moffet, a native of Ashland, Massachusetts, and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Moffet, representatives of an old family of this state. They have one son, William L. Peck, who was born in Foxboro, Massachusetts, and is a most enterprising young man, now associated with his father in business.

In his political views Mr. Peck is a republican and is serving as secretary of the Franklin board of health. He is a member of Excelsior Lodge, A. F. & A. M., also of Miller Chapter, R. A. M., and the Knight Templar commandery. Mr. Peck is truly a self-made man and one who deserves all the credit that the term implies. He started out empty-handed and by persistent effort and intelligently directed industry has worked his way steadily upward. Opportunity has ever been the call to action with him and his ready response has brought most desirable results, placing him among the prosperous and leading merchants of his section of the state.

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### LEWIS F. FALES.

Lewis F. Fales, actively identified with industrial interests in Walpole, where he is conducting a large foundry and has built up a business of substantial proportions, was born in Boston, February 28, 1861, a son of Charles and Elizabeth (Wiggin) Fales, who were also natives of this state, the former having been born in West Walpole and the latter in Dedham.

Spending his youthful days in his parents' home Lewis F. Fales attended the public schools of Walpole and after his textbooks were put aside made his initial step in the business world. His natural predilection was toward mechanical lines and he received his train-

ing in that direction and eventually worked up to his present position as a well known manufacturer of machinery in Walpole. He has an extensive machine shop and foundry, splendidly equipped with everything necessary to turn out the class of work to which he gives his attention, and the excellence of the output has won for him a very extensive and well deserved patronage. He is a thoroughly reliable business man, energetic and progressive, and he is at the head of a business which now constitutes one of the important industrial interests of Walpole.

On the 14th of October, 1914, Mr. Fales was married in Franklin, Massachusetts, to Miss Sarah MacKinnon, a daughter of John and Catherine MacKinnon. They are well known in Walpole, where they have an extensive circle of friends, and the hospitality of their own home is greatly enjoyed by those with whom they have been brought in contact. Mr. Fales has become recognized as one of the substantial and valued citizens of his community, and while he has never been active as a holder of public office, he is interested in all that pertains to the general welfare and his aid and support are given on the side of progress and improvement.

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#### MICHAEL F. POWERS.

Michael F. Powers, who is engaged in the undertaking business in Stoughton, is also active in community affairs and is now serving as chairman of the library board of trustees. He was born September 6, 1859, in the city which is still his home, his parents being John and Hannah (Welch) Powers, who were natives of Ireland. The father came to America about 1848 and established his home in Stoughton, where he was engaged in shoe manufacturing throughout the remainder of his life, passing away March 2, 1902, when he had reached the age of seventy years. For a few years he had survived his wife, whose death occurred in April, 1899.

Michael F. Powers was reared and educated in Stoughton, completing a course in the high school by graduation with the class of 1878. He started upon his business career as an employe in shoe factories and was thus occupied until 1894, when he became associated with the firm of Withington & Lowe, furniture dealers and undertakers. He has since followed that line of business and in 1905 he became a partner in the undertaking firm of Lowe, Smith & Powers, his partners being Horace W. Lowe and Webster Smith. On the

1st of October, 1915, Mr. Smith passed away and the business has since been carried on by the surviving partners under the firm style of Lowe & Powers. Their place of business is located at No. 14 Porter street and they are accorded a liberal and well deserved patronage.

In April, 1886, Mr. Powers was united in marriage to Miss Mary Glennon, a daughter of Kieran and Elizabeth (Kelly) Glennon, who were natives of Ireland and in early life crossed the Atlantic to the United States. The father engaged in shoemaking throughout his remaining days and both he and his wife have now passed away. To Mr. and Mrs. Powers has been born one child, John J., whose birth occurred August 6, 1887, and who is now in partnership with his father.

Interested always in community affairs, Mr. Powers has co-operated in many well defined plans and purposes for upbuilding the city and advancing its interests. He is now chairman of the board of trustees of the public library and has been a member of the board for thirty-four years. He has also been one of the park commissioners for twelve years and has done much valuable work in these connections in upholding the best interests of the city. He belongs to San Salvador Council, No. 200, of the Knights of Columbus and is a past grand knight of the order. He is likewise a past chief ranger of Stoughton Court of the Catholic Order of Foresters and he has membership with the Ancient Order of Hibernians and is president of the Holy Name Society. His religious faith has always been that of the Catholic church and his political support has been given to the democratic party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He is a broad-minded man, actuated by a spirit of advancement in all that he undertakes, whether for the benefit of his individual interests or of the public welfare.

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#### WILLIAM T. DONOVAN.

William T. Donovan, well known in real estate circles in Quincy, where he has conducted an office since 1911, was born on the 29th of November, 1880, in the city where he still resides, being one of a large family. His parents were Timothy J. and Mary (Denward) Donovan, who were natives of Ireland and in young manhood and womanhood came to the new world. They were married on this side

of the Atlantic and the father was employed as a tool sharpener in the quarries. Both he and his wife have now passed away.

Following his graduation from the high school of Quincy, whereby he was well qualified for life's practical and responsible duties, William T. Donovan turned his attention to the real estate business, being associated with a large brokerage concern in Boston for seven years. He afterward spent ten years as a government stenographer and as private secretary to the admiral of the United States navy at the Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation in Quincy, and in 1911 he opened a real estate office for the conduct of an independent business and has since specialized in the brokerage business in connection with the handling of property. He is thoroughly versed concerning realty values in this section, knows what is upon the market and has made judicious investments for his clients and at the same time has negotiated many important realty transfers.

On the 29th of April, 1908, Mr. Donovan was united in marriage to Miss Grace L. Connolly, of Malden, Massachusetts. They are members of St. John's Catholic church and Mr. Donovan is connected with the Knights of Columbus, with the Ancient Order of Hibernians and other organizations. In politics he maintains an independent course, voting for men and measures rather than for party. He served for two years in the city council, filling the office in 1906 and 1907, during which period he exercised his official prerogatives in support of many well devised plans and measures for the general good, as he is ever interested in the development and upbuilding of the city in which he lives.

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#### ENOCH WAITE, SR.

In the death of Enoch Waite, Sr., Franklin lost one of her valued and representative citizens. He was long identified with its manufacturing interests and his activities were always of a character that contributed to general progress and prosperity as well as to individual success. Moreover, his worth outside of business connections was widely recognized. He was born in England on the 25th of April, 1835, and his life record covered the intervening years to the 12th of February, 1912, when he was called to his final rest. His parents were Joseph and Hannah Waite and the former was engaged in the manufacture of felt for King George in England but in early



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manhood bade adieu to friends and native country and sailed for the new world, where he continued in the same line of business, becoming the first manufacturer of felt in America. After having established his business and made preparations for the reception of his family he sent for his wife and children, who joined him in his Massachusetts home. He continued a resident of this state until called to his final rest in 1888, when seventy-seven years of age. His widow survived him for about four years and died in 1892 at the age of ninety-one years.

Enoch Waite, Sr., who was one of a family of ten children, attended school at Newmarket, England, but his educational opportunities were extremely limited, for at the age of eight years he began to provide for his own support, working at felt manufacturing. He was fifteen years of age when he crossed the Atlantic to the United States and he started upon his business career in the new world as an employe at the old Bay State Mills at Lawrence, Massachusetts. In 1856 he removed to Johnson, Rhode Island, where he established a mill for Judge Pitman's son for the manufacture of felt carpet and devoted two years to that business. He later became a resident of Lowell, Massachusetts, where he was employed in the Middles Mills until 1861. In that year he became a resident of Winchester and began operating a mill for F. M. Allen. This mill was devoted to the manufacture of fibrilla, an article made from tow and used during the Civil war as a substitute for cotton. After peace was declared there was no further use for the product and the mill was closed. Mr. Waite afterward had charge of a mill in Charlestown devoted to the manufacture of felt carpet, but after two years spent in that connection he returned to Lawrence and engaged in the manufacture of glove linings. A little later he took up his abode at Wrentham, where he managed a mill owned by the Elliot Felting Company and devoted to the manufacture of felt table and piano covers as well as other lines of felt goods.

In 1874 Mr. Waite came to Franklin and started in business on his own account, manufacturing felt cloth. The enterprise prospered from the beginning and after two years he admitted A. H. Morse to a partnership in the business. They were thus associated until 1881, when they severed their business connection and Mr. Waite established what is known as the City Mills, which he conducted for three years. He afterward opened a felt mill for F. B. Ray, called the Union Mill, and about the same time embarked in business in partnership with Bannigan, who was known as the rubber king of Lawrence, Massachusetts. They were proprietors of the Lawrence

Felting Mills and their business association was continued until 1888, when Mr. Waite disposed of his interest to Mr. Bannigan, after which he conducted a mill independently. He also purchased a privilege in the Rockville Mill from Mr. Richardson, of Medway, and converted the plant into a felt mill, which he turned over to the management of his son. Mr. Waite, Sr., became president and manager of the Waite Felting Company of Franklin and continued in those official connections for a number of years. Later he merged his factories into the business combine known as the American Felt Company, but continued to conduct the factories until his death. For many years he figured most prominently as the leading felt manufacturer of the country and his thorough training and long experience well qualified him for the important work which he did in that connection.

Mr. Waite was united in marriage to Miss Anna Pearson, a daughter of Joseph Pearson, of Lawrence, Massachusetts, who was a mason by trade and spent his entire life in Lawrence. To Mr. and Mrs. Waite were born three children, of whom the eldest died in infancy. The daughter, Adella Marion, is the wife of C. F. Nye, of Brookline. Enoch E. is the third in the family and is his father's successor in business. Mr. Waite had been previously married, his first union being with a Miss Ladd, of Mercer, Maine, by whom he had one son, Perley Arthur, who was connected with his father in business for many years and who died in 1913. The first wife of Mr. Waite passed away at the birth of her son and was laid to rest in a cemetery at Mercer, Maine. When death called Enoch Waite, Sr. his remains were interred in the family burying ground in Lawrence. He is still survived by his widow, who yet makes her home in Franklin.

His religious faith was that of the Universalist church and in politics he was a staunch republican but was never an office seeker, his business making too heavy demands upon his time to allow of active work in political circles. There was no feature of felt manufacturing with which he was not thoroughly familiar and his initiative spirit prompted him to introduce many improvements in methods, while at all times he held to the highest standards concerning the products which he placed upon the market. He thus continued the business in which his father engaged, becoming the pioneer in that field in America, and the name of Waite has always been prominently and honorably associated with the trade on this side the Atlantic. Mr. Waite was long accounted one of the representative residents of Franklin, honored and respected by all for what he had accom-

plished. He started out to provide for his own support when a little lad of but eight years and his success was the direct result of persistent and well directed energy.

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### ENOCK E. WAITE, JR.

Enoch E. Waite, Jr., now largely devoting his attention to the management of property interests left by his father, Enoch Waite, Sr., whose history is given above, was born in Franklin on the 22d of July, 1866. He attended the Franklin schools until he reached the age of fourteen years and afterward became a student in the Mitchell Military School of Billerica, Massachusetts, which he attended for three years. He then entered his father's employ and worked with him until 1907. He was afterward with the American Felt Company through the succeeding five years and acted as assistant superintendent both for his father and for the American Felt Company. At his father's death both of his old mills were shut down by the American Felt Company. Enoch E. Waite, Jr., is familiar with every branch of the business, having had the most thorough training along that line from the time when he put aside his textbooks and entered upon the work to which the greater part of his life has been devoted. Since the death of his father he has given his attention to property interests and has also engaged in teaming and in the sale of wood.

On the 1st of January, 1891, Mr. Waite was united in marriage to Miss Mary Alice Follette, a daughter of James and Anna (Hazelton) Follette, who were natives of Providence, Rhode Island, and of Cumberland Hill, Massachusetts, respectively. Both are now deceased, their remains having been interred in West Wrentham. The father was a farmer and devoted many years to the work of tilling the soil there. Mr. and Mrs. Waite became the parents of three children: Enoch Emmons, who enlisted in the United States Navy and is on Commonwealth pier on a receiving ship; Newman F., who died at the age of fifteen years; and Francis H., at home.

Mr. Waite holds membership with Waunawauk Tribe, No. 83, I. O. R. M. In politics he is a staunch republican but not an office seeker although he keeps well informed on the question and issues of the day and gives earnest and active support to all plans and measures for the general good. His religious faith is that of the Universalist church and its teachings guide him in all the relations

of life. The Waite family has long been represented in this part of the state and the name has ever been a synonym for progressiveness in business and in citizenship.

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### FREDERICK S. LANE.

Honored and respected by all, there is no man who occupies a more enviable position in business and financial circles in Foxboro and Norfolk county than does Frederick S. Lane, the treasurer of the Cooperative Bank of Foxboro. He was born in Norton, Massachusetts, May 8, 1849, and is a son of Calvin W. and Abba A. (Stanley) Lane, who were also natives of Massachusetts. The father was a carpenter and builder and followed his trade for many years but eventually became connected with the Union Straw Works, having charge of their buildings for an extended period. He removed to Foxboro in 1851 and continued to make his home here throughout his remaining days. Both he and his wife have passed away.

Frederick S. Lane was reared and educated in Foxboro and when he had completed the work of the public schools he took up the occupation of bookkeeping, which he followed for a long period. He was also identified with business interests as superintendent in straw shops for a time and later he engaged in the straw business on his own account in partnership with others. At length he organized the Foxboro Electric Company and was part owner of the business for some time but eventually sold out to the Union Light & Power Company. He has ever been a forceful and resourceful man, recognizing and utilizing opportunities that others have passed heedlessly by. He has watched every indication pointing to success and as the years have passed he has constantly broadened his activities, which have brought not only substantial results for himself, but have also constituted elements of public progress. He was the first president of the Norfolk & Bristol Street Railway Company and in 1889 he became one of the organizers of the Cooperative Bank, of which he has since served as treasurer and clerk. The bank has dues and capital amounting to three hundred and ninety-six thousand dollars, profits amounting to ninety-five thousand dollars, a guaranty fund of about seven thousand dollars and a surplus of thirteen thousand dollars. The other officers of the bank are: F. A. Pettee, president; and Forrest Bassett, vice president.

Mr. Lane was united in marriage to Miss Mary A. Bonney on

the 23d of October, 1873, a daughter of Hiram and Johanna (Grover) Bonney, who became early residents of Norfolk county, where the father engaged in business as a straw worker throughout his entire life. Mr. and Mrs. Lane have become the parents of three children: Harry A., who is chief engineer with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, with headquarters in the city of Baltimore, Maryland; Clifford W., who is superintendent of the wood treating plant for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad; and Mildred, the deceased wife of S. Sibthorpe, of London. She was the mother of four children, three daughters and a son.

In religious belief Mr. Lane is a Universalist and politically he is a republican. In 1908 and 1909 he was called upon to represent his district in the state legislature and served throughout those sessions. He has also been a member of the Grange and of the Knights of Honor and he likewise has membership in the Norfolk Club. He is the president of the Cemetery Association and he is interested in all those forces which work for the upbuilding and development of the community in which he resides. Fraternally he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, being past grand of his lodge, and he is a past master of the Masonic lodge and a past high priest of the chapter, loyally adhering to the teachings of the craft.

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### HENRY T. RICHARDSON.

Henry T. Richardson, attorney at law and the president of the Norfolk County Bar Association, makes his home in Brookline but practices at the Boston bar. He was born in Chicago, Illinois, December 20, 1871, and is a son of Joseph H. Richardson, who was a native of Medway, Massachusetts, and descendant of one of the old families of this state, of English origin. The founder of the American branch of the family was John Richardson, a son of Joseph Lovell Richardson. The family was established in America in the early part of the seventeenth century and representatives of the name have since figured prominently in connection with many events which have left their impress upon the history of the state. Joseph H. Richardson, the father of Henry T. Richardson, was a Civil war veteran, having served for four years in the Union army as a member of the Sixteenth Massachusetts Infantry with the rank of corporal. He participated in a number of hotly contested engagements and was

wounded on four occasions, one of these being in the battle of Gettysburg. After the war he removed westward to Chicago, where he engaged in the restaurant business, but his establishment was destroyed during the great fire of October, 1871, after which he returned to the east and took up his abode in Medway, Massachusetts. Later he removed to Brookline, where he resided for a number of years, but passed away at Danvers, his death there occurring in December, 1912, when he had reached the age of seventy-two years. He married Annie Eliza Tucker, a native of St. Joseph, Missouri, and a daughter of the Rev. Joshua T. Tucker, a Congregational clergyman, who was descended from an old Massachusetts family living at Holliston. Mrs. Richardson passed away in Medway, Massachusetts, in 1882, at the age of thirty-seven years. By her marriage she has become the mother of three children, but two of the number are now deceased.

Henry T. Richardson, the only surviving member of the family pursued his education in the public schools of Medway and after graduating from the high school he started out to provide for his own support when a youth of eighteen years. He turned his attention to newspaper work, becoming a reporter on the Milford Gazette and also representing in a repertorial capacity the Malden News and the Boston Globe. While thus engaged he devoted every leisure moment to the study of law and in January, 1893, was admitted to the bar, after which he entered upon the active practice of his profession in Boston, where he has since remained, giving his time, thought and energy to the important duties which have devolved upon him in connection with the general practice of law. He has made a steady progress in his chosen calling and his high standing is indicated in the fact that he is now the president of the Norfolk County Bar Association. He also belongs to the Massachusetts State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. In addition to practicing in the state courts he practices also in the United States circuit and district courts. Aside from his professional interests he is a director and clerk of the Manhattan Market Company of Cambridge and a director and clerk of the Edward T. Russell Company, Inc., of Boston.

On the 7th of September, 1893, in Boston, Mr. Richardson was united in marriage to Miss Myra Dickinson, a native of that city and the adopted daughter of the Rev. Charles A. and Esther G. (Goodrich) Dickinson. They have become parents of five children: Esther A., who was born in Boston, October 20, 1894; Philip and Donald, twins, born in Brookline, April 20, 1900; Ruth, born in

Brookline December 30, 1905; and Barbara, born in Brookline, July 4, 1912.

In his political views Mr. Richardson has always been a republican, giving staunch support to the party, yet has never been an aspirant for office. He is interested in many projects having to do with the public welfare and stands staunchly for those interests which are a matter of civic virtue and of civic pride. He is a member of the Mercantile Library Association of Boston, of which at one time he served as president, and for many years was one of its trustees. He is also a member of the Boston Congregational Club, which has honored him with its presidency, and of the Boston City Club. He has membership in the Harvard Congregational church of Brookline and in the Brookline Historical Society, in the work of which he takes a most active and helpful interest. He is equally efficient in his work in behalf of civic interests and he attacks with enthusiasm every public interest with which he becomes connected. His worth as a citizen is widely acknowledged and his ability has made for leadership in public thought and action. His endorsement of any measure is sure to secure for it a large following and his support of any public project is given as the result of careful consideration of the questions and a firm belief of the value of the cause.

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### HENRY W. WINSHIP.

Henry W. Winship, who is engaged in the drug business at Stoughton, was born in Lynn, Massachusetts, October 27, 1882, a son of Charles V. and Alice E. (Ward) Winship. The father is a native of Sharon but the mother's birth occurred in Stoughton. Charles V. Winship devoted many years of his life to shoe manufacturing and in early manhood became a resident of Stoughton, where he has since made his home but is now living retired, enjoying the fruits of his former toil in a well earned rest.

Henry W. Winship was but two years of age when the family home was established in Stoughton and when a lad of six years he became a pupil in the public schools, mastering the work of successive grades until he was graduated from the high school with the class of 1900. He soon afterward made his initial step in the business world and in fact had been employed in a drug store before his graduation. After his textbooks were put aside he continued in active connection with the drug trade and for two years he was a student in a col-

lege of pharmacy in Boston. In 1905 he took the required examination whereby he became a registered pharmacist. For several years he was in the employ of Dr. Swan, of Stoughton, and for a time conducted the drug store owned by the Doctor. In 1906 he bought the business, which he has since conducted. He had had experience as a drug clerk in different stores while a college student in Boston, and his preliminary training had well qualified him for the duties which now devolve upon him. He carries an extensive stock of drugs and druggists' sundries and his store presents a neat and attractive appearance by reason of its careful arrangement. A liberal patronage is enjoyed by Mr. Winship, who now ranks with the leading and representative merchants of the city.

On the 27th of October, 1904, Mr. Winship was joined in wedlock to Miss Catherine R. Wales, and they have become the parents of two children: Henry W., who was born January 10, 1907; and Evelyn, born in July, 1915.

Mr. and Mrs. Winship are members of the Universalist church and he is identified with several fraternal organizations, including the Masons, the Odd Fellows, the New England Order of Protection and the Owls. In the Masonic fraternity he has taken the degrees of lodge and chapter. He is also a member of the Chicatawbut Club. His political endorsement is given to the republican party and he is never remiss in the duties of citizenship but does not care for public office, preferring to concentrate his attention upon his business affairs. He formerly conducted drug stores in Norwood and Mansfield, Massachusetts, before his father retired and still has an interest in those establishments but concentrates his efforts and attention largely upon his store in Stoughton and in this connection is controlling a business enterprise of large and gratifying proportions.

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### FRANK A. SHINER.

Manufacturing interests of Norfolk county find a worthy representative in Frank A. Shiner, who is devoting his attention to the manufacture of box toes for shoes, in which connection he has built up a business of substantial proportions. He was born in Wrentham, Norfolk county, in December, 1857, a son of Alexander and Elmira (Burnor) Shiner, the former a native of Canada, while the latter was born in Vermont. The father devoted his life to agricultural pursuits and in 1849 he became a resident of Norfolk county, Mas-





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sachusetts, where for a time he was employed as a farm hand; but carefully saving his earnings, his industry and economical expenditure at length brought him the capital that enabled him to purchase land, after which he operated a farm of his own for a number of years. In 1861 he responded to the call of his adopted country for aid and joined the Union army as a member of Company I, Eighteenth Massachusetts Infantry, with which he served until he sustained a wound in the second battle of Bull Run. He had previously taken part in a number of hotly contested engagements and in this one he fell before the enemy's bullets, his wound causing him the loss of one of his arms. He afterward returned to Wrentham, where his remaining days were passed, his death occurring in 1898, while his wife passed away in 1877.

Frank A. Shiner, spending his youthful days under the parental roof, obtained his education in the public schools of Wrentham and when his textbooks were put aside secured employment in a felt mill, where he remained for seven years. He afterward worked in a straw hat manufactory for twenty-two years, his long retention in the service of one company indicating most clearly his capability, his fidelity and his trustworthiness. He then began hat manufacturing on his own account, but three months after establishing his business, his factory was destroyed by fire. He then turned his attention to soap manufacturing and chemical business in Franklin and after operating along that line for one year sold his interest. He next engaged in his present line of business, organizing the Ray-Shiner Manufacturing Company for the manufacture of box toes. They have conducted the business continuously since July 1, 1908, and their patronage has steadily grown until their trade is now very substantial and gratifying.

In June, 1883, Mr. Shiner was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Briggs, a daughter of Richard A. and Annie (Joslin) Briggs, who were natives of Rhode Island and in early life became residents of Norfolk county, Massachusetts. The father worked in the mills for many years and both he and his wife have passed away, Mrs. Briggs being called to her final rest in January, 1917. Mrs. Shiner departed this life in November, 1916, after a year's illness.

Fraternally Mr. Shiner is connected with the Masons, the Odd Fellows and the Elks and in his life exemplifies the spirit upon which these organizations are founded. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and his religious faith is that of the Universalist church. His has been an active, useful, upright and honorable life and the steps in his orderly progression are easily

discernible. Actuated by a laudable ambition, he has worked his way steadily upward and today is closely and prominently connected with manufacturing interests at Franklin.

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### ALFRED L. SOULE.

Alfred L. Soule is a prominent representative of commercial activity in Stoughton, where he is engaged in the wholesale paper trade. He is a native son of the city in which he makes his home and here he has spent his entire life. He was born in November, 1880, of the marriage of John and Manatta (Cobbett) Soule, the former a native of Mansfield, Massachusetts, while the latter was born in Easton, Massachusetts. Mr. Soule was for many years engaged in clerking and later turned his attention to the manufacture of paper boxes, in which business he continued for a number of years. He located in Stoughton at a very early period in its development and in fact was reared and educated in the town, where he still resides. His wife passed away in June, 1898.

After acquiring a public school education Alfred L. Soule started upon his business career as an employe in the factory of the J. G. Phinney Counter Company, with which he remained for three years. He afterward occupied the position of shipper with the Stoughton Rubber Company for one year and later engaged in clerking for ten years but throughout the entire period was actuated by the laudable ambition of some day engaging in business on his own account. With that end in view he carefully saved his earnings and on the 1st of January, 1916, opened the wholesale paper house of which he is now the head. In the interim he has built up a business of gratifying proportions and is now enjoying a large and growing patronage, his trade coming from all the surrounding towns and also from various points in New Hampshire. Thoroughly reliable in his business methods and progressive in all that he does, he has gained a liberal patronage and his patrons are ever willing to speak a good word for him, recognizing in him a wide-awake, alert and enterprising business man and one of unquestionable reliability.

In October, 1902, Mr. Soule was united in marriage to Miss Grace M. Cutting, a daughter of Burton and Annie (Crofts) Cutting. The former was born in Berlin, Massachusetts, and the mother's birth occurred in Watertown, this state. Mr. Cutting was an expressman of Boston for twenty-five years and on the expiration

of that period removed to Stoughton in 1898. Since that time he has been connected with the grain trade in Stoughton and he has now reached the age of seventy.

Mr. Soule and his wife are members of the Universalist church and fraternally he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has filled all of the chairs in the local lodge, being the youngest past grand of the organization. He is also a member of Perseverance Lodge, No. 97, of the Order of Rebekah. His political endorsement is given to the republican party. He closely studies the vital questions and issues of the day and his position upon any important question is never an equivocal one. Mr. Soule deserves much credit for what he has accomplished in a business way. Starting out in life without financial assistance from anyone, he has made for himself a creditable place in commercial circles through the strength of his character, through his determined purpose and his creditable ambition. His advancement proves what can be accomplished through individual effort and his record also indicates the fact that success and an honored name may be won simultaneously.

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### LESLIE S. WIGGIN.

Leslie S. Wiggin, embalmer and undertaker and one of the representative citizens of Norfolk county, making his home in Franklin, was born in Medway, Norfolk county, August 28, 1883, and is a son of George A. and Alma M. (Farrington) Wiggin. The mother is also a native of Medway and is a representative of one of the old and prominent families of Norfolk county. The father was born in Franklin. In early life the parents attended school in Norfolk county and, having arrived at years of maturity, were here married. They began their domestic life in the county, where they have since remained. In early manhood the father engaged in the manufacture of shoes and later he entered the straw working business, which he still follows. He and his wife now make their home in Medfield, and they have an extensive circle of warm friends in this locality. To Mr. and Mrs. Wiggin were born eight children, five of whom are yet living: George Farrington, a resident of Medway; Kenneth, of Medfield; Mrs. Grace Crown, also living in Medfield; Esther, whose home is in Medfield; and Leslie S., who was the second in order of birth.

In his youthful days Leslie S. Wiggin attended the public schools of Medway and afterward learned the shoe manufacturing business through practical experience, being employed along those lines for a time. Eventually he gave up work of that character to enter upon the furniture trade. He continued to work for others in the furniture and undertaking business from 1901 until 1912, when he bought out the undertaking business of his uncle, Alfred Farrington, at Franklin and has since carried on the business successfully. His patronage has steadily grown and he is today the leading undertaker of his part of Norfolk county. He has splendid equipment, including an up-to-date auto funeral car and several fine motor cars used in connection with the conduct of funerals.

Fraternally Mr. Wiggin is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and also with the Masonic fraternity. While still a young man, he has made notable success and has won his advancement through his persistency of purpose and straightforward dealings. He stands high in business circles and he has the social qualities which have made for personal popularity among those with whom he has been brought in contact.

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### M. J. ZINNER.

The rubber manufacturing interests of the country are largely concentrated in New England and active in this field of labor is M. J. Zinner, who is now the manager of the raincoat department of the Stoughton Rubber Company, which is a branch of the United States Rubber Company. He is thoroughly familiar with his line of trade and is thus well qualified for the important responsibilities that devolve upon him in this connection. He was born in Dresden, Germany, August 24, 1869, and is a son of Joseph H. and Eleanor (Weiss) Zinner, who were also natives of Germany. The father was a practicing physician of that country and served as an army surgeon in 1866 and 1872. He also occupied the position of coroner there for sixteen years. His death occurred in 1899, while his wife passed away in 1904.

M. J. Zinner remained a resident of his native land through the greater part of his minority and pursued his education largely in the schools of Dresden. In 1885, when sixteen years of age, he crossed the Atlantic to the United States and landed at New York, where he remained for a short time. He afterward went to Chicago, where

he continued for a brief period and then resumed his westward journey with Omaha, Nebraska, as his destination. Later he returned eastward to Cleveland, Ohio, where he worked at his trade of designing in connection with the tailoring business and also did the practical work of tailoring in these different cities. He was employed in Cleveland for two years, after which he returned to New York and entered a designing academy. Later he again went to Cleveland, where he took a position as designer in a merchant tailoring establishment, being there employed until 1891, when he became connected with the Mechanical Rubber Company of Cleveland, a branch of the United States Rubber Company. About 1900 he was transferred to Stoughton, Norfolk county, where he has since been located, and was made manager of the raincoat department at this place. His long experience in connection with the rubber trade has well qualified him for the duties that devolve upon him in this connection and he is a valued representative of the company by reason of his skill and efficiency.

On the 25th of January, 1898, Mr. Zinner was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Metzel and to them have been born three children: May Joyce, who is the wife of S. T. R. Wienrt, and they reside with her father; Gertrude, the wife of Ernest J. Hodges, living in Boston; and Joseph H., who is attending school.

Mr. Zinner is a member of the Masonic fraternity and also of the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Foresters. He likewise is a valued and prominent member of the Chicatawbut Club, of which he is the secretary, and in politics he is a stalwart republican. He is interested in all public and community affairs and has served on the food production and conservation committee of Stoughton and on the Red Cross committee. He cooperates heartily in all movements which are looking to the advancement of the interests of the government in connection with the prosecution of the war and his public-spirited devotion to American interests is a matter well known to all with whom he has come in contact.

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### GEORGE R. ELLIS.

George R. Ellis, attorney at law of Foxboro and prominent in the affairs of his community, doing much to shape public thought and action, was born in the city of Boston, July 29, 1876, a son of Judson and Elizabeth (Smith) Ellis, the former a native of Nova Scotia,

while the latter was born on Prince Edward Island. In early life Judson Ellis took up his abode in Boston, where he worked at the cabinet maker's trade until 1884. He then removed to Foxboro, Norfolk county, and purchased a little farm which he continued to cultivate and improve and at the same time carried on carpentering up to the time of his death, which occurred July 5, 1894. His wife survived him for about seventeen years, being called to her final rest on the 20th of June, 1911.

George R. Ellis spent his youthful days in his parents' home and enjoyed the educational training offered by the public schools of Boston and of Foxboro. He attended the Quaker Hill school and the high school of Foxboro and was thus well qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. He afterward started upon his business career as an employe of the New Haven Railroad Company in 1893, accepting a position as clerk and telegraph operator. He continued with that road in various capacities for twenty-one years. He then left the employe of the railroad company on the 4th of February, 1914. In the meantime laudable ambition had prompted him to prepare for activity along other lines. He had pursued an evening course of study in the Young Men's Christian Association Law School, beginning in 1908 and completing the course by graduation in 1912. He was admitted to the bar on the 21st of February, 1913, and then opened an office in Foxboro. The following year he was elected to the positions of town treasurer and town clerk and has since served in the dual capacity, making a most creditable record by his prompt and faithful service in both connections. He has also acted as clerk and treasurer of the lighting district of Foxboro since March, 1910, and he filled the position of assessor in 1907. Over the record of his public career there falls no shadow of wrong or suspicion of evil, for he has been most diligent, systematic and efficient in the discharge of all the duties that have come to him. He remains active in the practice of law and he is also the president of the Foxboro Realty Company. He is clerk and a member of the board of trustees of the Foxboro Savings bank and also clerk of the Savings Bank Corporation.

On the 26th of October, 1898, Mr. Ellis was married to Ada S. Hayes, a daughter of Hiram and Harriett (Rose) Hayes, the former a native of Granby, Connecticut, while the latter was born in Waterbury, Connecticut. Her father devoted his life to the occupation of farming in his native state but is now living retired. The mother passed away in 1915. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis have become parents of a son and a daughter: Arthur H., who was born April 25, 1906; and



Grace S., who was born October 7, 1903. Both are now attending school.

Mr. Ellis is well known as a loyal representative of the Masonic fraternity and is now serving as secretary of St. Albans Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master. He is also district deputy grand master of the Twenty-eighth Masonic District of Massachusetts. He is likewise connected with Keystone Chapter, R. A. M., and he belongs to Excelsior Lodge, I. O. O. F. He is likewise treasurer of the local Board of Trade. He has been a member of the town republican committee and served as its secretary for a number of years. His life has been actuated by the teachings of the Congregational church, of which he is a loyal adherent. Those who know him, and he has many friends, esteem him for his genuine worth and his marked devotion to duty in office and in every relation of life.

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### JOHN C. FRASER, M. D.

Dr. John C. Fraser, who since 1876 has been engaged in the practice of medicine at East Weymouth, was born in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, August 2, 1853, a son of John and Mary (Chisholm) Fraser, who were natives of Scotland. The father came to America in 1832, settling in Antigonish, where he engaged in farming. He met with substantial success in his undertakings and continued to make his home in that locality until his demise, which occurred in August, 1883. His widow survived him for a decade and a half, passing away in September, 1898.

Dr. Fraser of this review was reared and educated in Nova Scotia. After completing his literary course by graduation from a college there he entered the Harvard Medical School in 1873 and was graduated from the Bellevue Hospital Medical College with the class of 1876. The same year he located for practice in East Weymouth, where he has since maintained his office, and throughout the intervening period, covering more than forty-one years, he has enjoyed a large practice that indicates him to be one of the most capable physicians in eastern Massachusetts.

In July, 1880, Dr. Fraser was married to Miss Mary A. Boyle, a daughter of Thomas and Katherine (Cullen) Boyle, the former a native of Ireland, whence he came to America in early life, settling at East Weymouth, where he engaged in the confectionery business throughout his remaining days. He died in 1906 while his wife was

called to her final rest in 1903. To Dr. and Mrs. Fraser have been born five children: Mary G., who is now the wife of Dr. Whelan, of Hingham, Massachusetts; Archibald McKay, a practicing physician, who is now a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the United States army; Katherine E., at home; Somers, a physician of Boston, who is now serving with the rank of captain at Camp Devens at Ayer, Massachusetts; and Irene A., who is a teacher in a high school at East Weymouth. Dr. and Mrs. Fraser afforded their children good educational opportunities and all are college graduates.

Dr. Fraser is a Catholic in religious faith and holds membership with the Knights of Columbus. Politically he maintains an independent course. He has served on the school board for six years and is medical examiner for Norfolk county. He is also president of the Norfolk South District Medical Society and is a member of the Massachusetts Medical Association, the American Medical Association and the Massachusetts Medical Legal Society. He is now serving on the exemption board and his progressiveness in citizenship is manifest in his active identification with many interests that are looking to community welfare and national interests.

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### HON. GEORGE ALBERT WALES.

Hon. George Albert Wales is one of the valued and well known citizens of Stoughton. He has been identified with its manufacturing interests, has served as postmaster and has also represented his district in the state legislature. He was born March 26, 1858, in the city which is still his home, his parents being George and Emily F. (Richards) Wales, the former a native of Stoughton, while the latter was born in South Weymouth, Norfolk county. The paternal grandfather, Martin Wales, was also a native of Stoughton, so that the family has been represented in the city through five successive generations. George Wales, Sr., engaged in the manufacture of boots and shoes and was also a retail shoe dealer of Stoughton, being thus connected with the commercial and manufacturing interests of the city throughout his entire life. He was regarded as one of the best judges of shoes and leather in the state and was also accounted one of the foremost salesmen in connection with the trade. He conducted an extensive business during the period of the Civil war but lost heavily through those to whom he had extended credit in the southern states. His wife's people were all manufacturers and leather dealers, so that



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the name of Wales has been long and closely associated with the leather trade and shoe manufacturing interests of eastern Massachusetts. George Wales, Sr., departed this life March 4, 1904, when he had reached the age of sixty-nine years, and his wife died in December, 1864, when but twenty-nine years of age. He later married again and by that union there was one daughter, Emily F., who still resides in Stoughton.

George A. Wales, the only child of the father's first marriage, was reared and educated in Stoughton and supplemented his public school training by a course in a commercial college at Boston, being thus thoroughly qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. He chose the occupation to which he had been reared. He went to work in a shoe factory and started out by mastering the tasks of the workman at the bench. In fact he learned the shoemaker's trade in every detail before leaving school. A year after leaving school he became ill and had to abandon work in the shoe factory. He then turned his attention to the grocery and provision business, which occupied his attention for two years. This enabled him to be out of doors much of the time and in that way his health became restored. He then returned to the shoe factory, entering the employ of Wallace & Elliott, with whom he continued for a year, at the end of which time he was given charge of a department, being then but eighteen years of age. He continued to act in that capacity for twenty years and during that period the output was increased to one hundred dozen pairs of shoes per day. Desirous of engaging in business on his own account, however, he eagerly embraced the opportunity and formed a company under the style of the Wales-French Boot & Shoe Company, of which he became the president and manager. This business was continued for four years, at the end of which time they sold out. Mr. Wales then went to Campello, South Brockton, Massachusetts, where he was associated with the George Keith Shoe Company, manufacturers of the Walk Over shoes. His identification with that house covered two years.

On the expiration of that period Mr. Wales was appointed postmaster of Stoughton, which position he acceptably and creditably filled for thirteen years or until February, 1915. During that period the rural and city delivery was started and the business of the post-office at Stoughton was greatly increased. He was also in charge of the postal savings and of the city delivery and in fact the interests of the office more than doubled during his administration. He proved adequate to the demands made upon him, however, and placed the business of the office upon a very substantial basis. In

1917 he was elected from his district to the state legislature, representing Randolph, Stoughton and Sharon in the general assembly. He made an excellent record and was connected with much constructive work of the house. He has long been actively identified with public and political affairs and his influence has always been on the side of progress and improvement. He has served on many important committees and no project or plan for the general good has sought his assistance in vain. His service in the state legislature in 1917 was not his first experience in this connection, for in 1895-6 he had also been a member of the house of representatives, having been sent from the district comprising Walpole, Sharon, Avon, Stoughton and Randolph. He continued his activity in connection with business interests of his town, becoming one of the organizers of the Stoughton Cooperative Bank, of which he remained a director and the auditor for many years. He is still one of the stockholders.

In May, 1881, Mr. Wales was united in marriage to Miss Mary Eliza Kellogg, a daughter of Thomas and Eliza (Capen) Kellogg, who were natives of West Brookfield and of Stoughton respectively. Mrs. Wales was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, where her parents had located in early life. Her father there worked at the trade of harness making and carriage trimming and afterward engaged in business along those lines on his own account. He died in May, 1875, and his widow survived only until December, 1880. Mr. and Mrs. Wales have become the parents of two children. The elder, Helen L., is the widow of Frank S. Farrell, a chemist of note and also a musician, who lived for only twenty-four hours after his marriage. Mrs. Farrell is a graduate of Wellesley and also took special work at Harvard University, Massachusetts Agricultural College, Boston University and Cornell University. This with two years of practical laboratory work as assistant chemist in a large chemical manufacturing company particularly fits her for her present position as instructor in science at Bradford Academy. The younger daughter, Ethel Frances, is the wife of Walter F. Edwards, who is a first lieutenant of the National Army, now stationed at Camp Devens at Ayer, Massachusetts. They have one child, Margaret Louise.

Mr. Wales has ever been most deeply and helpfully interested in matters of general concern in Stoughton and Norfolk county. He is a representative of one of its oldest and most prominent families and his ancestors have been prominent factors in molding public thought and action and in directing public interests here. His people for generations have been well known manufacturers of shoes and leather

goods. At the time of his grandfather's death he was president of a railroad, president of one bank of Stoughton and director of two others. All this he had accomplished in the course of his life, for he started out in the business world empty-handed and it was through the force of his character, his determined purpose and his unfaltering energy that he gained the prominent position which he occupied in business and financial circles—a position which won for him the honor and respect of all who knew him. The house in which Mr. Wales' father was born is one of the old mansions of Stoughton and is situated in the heart of the town.

George A. Wales of this review has always been interested in the old Stoughton Grenadiers, one of the old-time military organizations of Norfolk county. He is also a member of the Stoughton Historical Society and is keenly interested in everything that has to do with the perpetuation of the records which mark the progress and upbuilding of this section of the state. Like his grandfather, he has become a factor in financial circles of his native city. He was one of the organizers of the Stoughton Cooperative Bank, served as one of its directors for a long period and was its auditor for many years. He still remains one of its stockholders. Fraternally he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with the Masonic lodge and in his life exemplifies the beneficent spirit upon which these organizations are based. He is also a member of the Stoughton Board of Trade and has been interested in the many projects which the organization has put forth for the welfare of the city. He is a man of fine personal appearance, of genial manner, of cordial disposition and of genuine worth, and all who know him attest the fact that his friends throughout Stoughton and Norfolk county are legion.

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#### HARRY L. HOWARD.

Harry L. Howard, prominently identified with business, professional and political interests in Walpole, was born on the 6th of August, 1874, in Salem, Massachusetts, his parents being Eben S. and Ann M. (Welch) Howard, the latter a native of Shapleigh, Maine. The father was for forty years engaged in the grocery business in Peabody, Massachusetts, and in that city Harry L. Howard pursued his public school education, while later he attended the Salem Commercial School at Salem, Massachusetts, and afterward became a student in the Northeastern College of Law. He has figured

prominently in musical and business circles and in professional connections since his school days were over. He was in early manhood a flutist in an orchestra at Syracuse, New York, and afterward became teacher of flute in the Southern College of Music in Columbus, Georgia. He then devoted a number of years to the business of expert accountant and became accountant for the J. S. Fisher Lumber Company of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and later for Hassett & Hodge, carriage manufacturers of Amesbury, Massachusetts, and for the Consolidated Phosphate Company of Boston. He was also at one time president of the Medfield Electric Light & Power Company and was afterward accountant for the Norfolk Western Street Railway Company, of which he became a director.

In 1900 Mr. Howard was admitted to the bar and in 1898 was appointed by Governor Walcott as clerk of the district court of western Norfolk, which position he still occupies, his incumbency covering twenty years. In 1904 he was elected town clerk of Walpole and has been reelected at each subsequent annual election since that time. In 1915 he was elected water commissioner of the town of Walpole and is serving at the present date. In August, 1917, he was appointed by Governor McCall as government appeal agent. His public service has been of an important character and the endorsement of his work has come to him in his frequent reelections. He is also identified with financial interests of eastern Massachusetts as a director of the Medfield Cooperative Bank, in which position he has continued since 1907.

On the 14th of July 1903, in New York city, Mr. Howard was united in marriage to Miss Nellie F. Mahoney and to them have been born four children: Harry F., Theodore R., Ruth L. and Phyllis E.

Mr. Howard is a member of the Walpole Board of Trade, of the Norfolk Republican Club and has served on the republican town committee. His military experience covers three years' service with the Massachusetts Militia of the Second Corps of Cadets at Salem, Massachusetts, and he did actual service in the Spanish-American war of 1898. Fraternally Mr. Howard is connected with the Elks lodge of Norwood. He also belongs to Orient Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Norwood; Hebron Chapter, R. A. M., of Norwood; DeMolay Commandery, K. T., of Boston; and the various Scottish Rite bodies, including Massachusetts Consistory, S. P. R. S., in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of Masonry. He is also identified with Aleppo Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Boston and is very prominent and widely known in Masonic circles. His business abil-



ity and his official activity have brought him prominently before the public and all who know him speak of him in high terms by reason of his genuine personal worth, capability and fidelity to duty.

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### GEORGE P. MASON.

George P. Mason was for many years actively identified with the business interests of Franklin and at a later period continued his residence there, although he had retired from business. He was born in Warren, Rhode Island, on the 2d of March, 1855, a son of Charles and Eliza (Peck) Mason, both of whom were natives of Swansea, Massachusetts. In young manhood the father learned the mason's trade and removed to Warren in order to engage in business there. In 1876 he removed to Cornish, New Hampshire, where he followed general farming for a number of years, but his last days were spent in Franklin, Massachusetts, where he passed away on the 11th of September, 1896. His widow survived him for a few years, her death occurring in Warren, Rhode Island, on the 23d of November, 1902. In their family were four children, of whom the eldest, Phoebe, died at the age of four years, while Charles C. passed away in Franklin, Massachusetts, on the 6th of March, 1892, and Edmund G. now makes his home in Raynham, Massachusetts.

The third of the family was George P. Mason, whose name introduces this review. He was largely educated in the public schools of Warren, Rhode Island, passing through consecutive grades to his graduation from the high school. He remained at home until he reached the age of twenty years and then removed to Franklin, where he conducted a market in partnership with his father-in-law, Charles W. Clark, until 1888. In that year he went to Boston, Massachusetts, as manager of a wholesale beef house and his business ability is indicated in the fact that he was retained in that connection for eighteen and a half years or until his health failed and he was obliged to discontinue business. He then returned to Franklin in 1909 and spent his remaining days there, passing away on the 4th of May, 1914, when in the sixtieth year of his age.

On the 3d of January, 1876, Mr. Mason was united in marriage to Miss Mary J. Clark, a daughter of Charles W. and Elmira (Albee) Clark, of Milford, Massachusetts. Her father was born in Franklin, where he remained during the greater part of his life, engaged in the market business. He died May 21, 1892, after which

Mrs. Clark lived with her daughter, Mrs. Mason, until called to her final rest. She passed away in Brighton on the 12th of November, 1909.

Death again entered the Mason home when Mr. Mason departed this life in 1914. He had been a loyal member of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Excelsior Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and also to Miller Chapter, R. A. M., of Franklin. His life was an exemplification of the beneficent spirit of the craft and his genuine personal worth as well as his business ability and his loyalty in citizenship gained for him the confidence and high regard of all with whom he was brought in contact.

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### CHARLES ALBERT TURNER.

Charles Albert Turner has continuously served in public office in Dedham since 1902 and his record is characterized by marked devotion to duty and by notable efficiency. A native of Maine, he was born in Salem on the 3d of March, 1855, his parents being Horatio Gates and Justina (Heath) Turner. The father was born in Salem, Maine, January 14, 1829, and in Lowell, Massachusetts, in 1851, he wedded Justina Heath, also a native of Salem, Maine. In 1873 they became residents of Dedham, where they now reside. The father was for half a century engaged in street paving as a contractor in Boston. During the period of the Civil war he responded to the call for troops and enlisted as a member of Company E, Forty-seventh Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, with which he served for a year. He was sent home in a very serious condition as a typhoid fever patient, lying in a dirty box car all the way from New Orleans to Boston for a period of six days and six nights. Such a condition naturally aggravated the disease and his health was so seriously impaired that he was no longer fitted for active service.

Charles Albert Turner spent his youthful days in Charlestown, Massachusetts, to the age of eighteen years and was a pupil in the public schools. From the time he left school he was connected with his father in the contracting business, to which he devoted his efforts and his energies from 1874 until 1896. In the latter year he was badly injured in an accident that disabled him for five or six years. In 1902 he was called to public office, being elected to the board of assessors of the town of Dedham, and he served as a member and clerk of the board until 1912. In the latter year he was elected



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collector of taxes for the town of Dedham and has been reelected at each succeeding election since that time, so that he has now filled the position for six years. Also since 1912 he has served as clerk of the board of sewer commissioners of Dedham, and he is interested in all that pertains to the progress and development of the county seat and cooperates most heartily in plans and measures which advance public progress. He has been treasurer of the Dedham Board of Trade since 1904, in which year it was organized, and at no point in his career has he hesitated to give strong endorsement and active cooperation to every plan or purpose which he believes to be for the benefit of the city and its upbuilding.

On the 22d of May, 1878, in Dedham, Mr. Turner was united in marriage to Miss Abbie Jane Gould, a daughter of Ebenezer Gould, now deceased. They have become parents of a daughter, Laura Frances, now the wife of Edward H. King, a resident of Reidville, one of the suburbs of Boston.

Politically Mr. Turner is a republican and fraternally he is connected with the Masons. He is a past master of Constellation Lodge, F. & A. M., is also a Knight Templar and a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. He is the secretary and treasurer of the Society in Dedham for the Apprehension of Horse Thieves and he is a member of the Mill Village Old Home Association. All this indicates the nature and breadth of his interests and his activities. He is a man of progressive spirit, alert and enterprising, constantly reaching out along lines of helpfulness, and his worth as an individual and as a citizen is widely acknowledged.

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### COLONEL EDWARD MARK GILMAN.

Colonel Edward Mark Gilman is the president and treasurer of the Reversible Collar Company and is thus active in the control and management of one of the important manufacturing interests of Boston, conducting business at No. 95 Milk Street. His identification with the interests of Norfolk county comes from the fact that he makes his home in Brookline. He was born in Nashua, New Hampshire, September 26, 1862, and is a son of the late Horace Way Gilman, who was also a native of the Old Granite state, born December 6, 1834, and a descendant of one of the colonial families of New Hampshire, the ancestral line in America being traced back to 1636, when two

brothers of the name, Stephen and Moses Gilman, crossed the Atlantic to the new world, settling first at Unity, New Hampshire.

Colonel Edward Mark Gilman of this review is a direct descendant of Stephen Gilman. Both brothers took an active part in the colonization of the new world, particularly in the development and upbuilding of New Hampshire, and history mentions them as being among the most active, forceful and representative citizens of their time. Later some of their descendants participated in the Revolutionary war, in the French and Indian war and in the War of 1812. They were generally recognized as a family of marked military spirit who never hesitated to defend the interests of their country and several of the family won distinction in connection with American wars, while others were prominent in directing the destinies of state and nation in other ways.

Horace Way Gilman, father of Colonel Gilman, was a well known and successful manufacturer of Nashua, New Hampshire, and devoted the greater part of his life to the manufacture of surface coated paper and cardboards. His business affairs were most carefully, wisely and profitably conducted, yet he never concentrated his efforts and attention upon the attainment of wealth to the exclusion of other interests with which the duty of every individual has to do. He served in the constitutional convention of his state and did everything in his power to uphold the political and legal status of the commonwealth and to advance the civic standards. He was a Mason of high rank, attaining the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite and the Knight Templar degree of the York Rite. He was equally prominent and active in connection with religious work and was widely known throughout the country by reason of his prominence in the councils of the Methodist church. He was born on the 6th of December, 1834, and passed away in Springfield, Massachusetts, in 1894, at the age of sixty years, while on a visit to his son. His wife, who in her maidenhood was Adaline Woods, was also born in New Hampshire, and was descended from a family that was established on American soil in 1638. The first ancestor settled in Massachusetts but afterward removed to New Hampshire, and his descendants, loyal to the cause of his adopted land, participated in the Revolutionary war and in the War of 1812. Mrs. Gilman spent her last days at the old homestead in Nashua, New Hampshire, passing away in 1906. The family numbered five children, but only two are yet living Edward M. and William Virgil, the latter now a resident of Brooklyn, New York.

Colonel Edward M. Gilman devoted his youthful days largely

to the mastery of a public and high school education at Nashua, New Hampshire, being graduated from the high school with the class of 1882. He afterward attended the Bryant & Stratton Business College and thus further qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. After completing his studies he secured a position in the Citizens Bank of Wichita, Kansas, acting successively as messenger, clerk and bookkeeper. He remained in that institution for seven years and then resigned his position to return to his old home. He has since been identified with the interests of New England, entering its business circles in connection with the Springfield Glazed Paper Company of Springfield, Massachusetts, which business was owned by his father and an uncle. Colonel Gilman served as vice president and general manager and continued in connection with the business for six years. He then came to Boston and on the 1st of January, 1897, established his present business under the name of the Reversible Collar Company, of which he is president, treasurer and general manager. He is conducting an excellent business in this connection and his trade has been steadily growing, the enterprise having become one of the profitable concerns of the city.

On the 24th of November, 1885, Colonel Gilman was united in marriage in Nashua, New Hampshire, to Miss Mary Frances Wallace, a native of that city, born February 21, 1862, and a daughter of James F. and Julia (Green) Wallace, both of whom have now passed away. Both were born in Nashua and were descendants of old New England families of English descent. To Colonel and Mrs. Gilman has been born a son, Francis Davidson, whose birth occurred in Nashua, New Hampshire, May 17, 1888, and who is now associated with his father in business as secretary of the company.

Colonel Gilman was at one time a member of the Governor's Foot Guard of New Hampshire and was appointed colonel on the 1st of January, 1889, by Governor David H. Goodell, serving with that rank for two years, being the youngest man to hold the position in the state. He also filled office in connection with the city government of Springfield, being elected to serve for the years 1889 and 1890, but on account of his removal to Boston he resigned the office. In politics he has always been a staunch republican since attaining his majority and has ever been deeply interested in political questions and problems of the day in all civic matters. In Masonry he has taken the degrees of the lodge, the chapter and of the Scottish Rite up to and including the thirty-second degree in the consistory. He is also a Noble of the Mystic Shrine. His religious faith is that of the Methodist church and he is well known in club circles,

holding membership in the Boston City Club, the Unitarian Club and the Boston Yacht Club and also in the Nashua Country Club. His has been an active, useful and well spent life. Starting out in early manhood dependent upon his own resources, the success he has achieved is the direct result of his persistency of purpose and indefatigable energy. While he has won a substantial measure of prosperity through the conduct of his business affairs, he has never allowed these things to so monopolize his time and attention that he has had no opportunity to cooperate in interests and projects for the public good. On the contrary, he has given of his time, his thoughts, his energy and his means to advance the public welfare and his efforts in this connection have been far-reaching and beneficial.

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### E. GRANVILLE PRATT.

E. Granville Pratt still remains an active member of the bar of Quincy and of Boston although he has now passed the eighty-fourth milestone on life's journey. Old age need not necessarily suggest idleness nor want of occupation. There is an old age which grows stronger and brighter mentally and morally with the passing years and gives out of its rich stores of wisdom and experience for the benefit of others. Such is the record of Mr. Pratt, who in spirit and interests seems yet in his prime. He was born in Weymouth, Massachusetts, July 4, 1833, a son of Ezra and Everline L. (Vining) Pratt, both of whom were natives of Weymouth and representatives of old colonial families, the Pratt family having been there established in the early part of the seventeenth century. The father was a stone contractor and devoted his life to that business.

The son acquired a public school education in Weymouth, supplemented by study in the Worcester Academy, and later he became a student in the Kimball Union Academy at Meriden, New Hampshire. A review of the broad field of business with its limitless and varied opportunities led him to the determination that he wished to make the practice of law his life work and he began reading in the office and under the direction of Judge Jesse E. Keith, of Abington Center. He was admitted to the bar in the latter '50s and located for practice in his native city, but on the 1st of December, 1862, removed to Quincy, where he has since followed his profession and made his home. He also practiced in Boston in connection with John Quincy Adams for many years and later he established an





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office independently in Boston at No. 28 School street, but continued throughout the period to reside in Quincy. He has been connected with much important litigation heard in the courts and he has done important work in maintaining the high legal standards which constitute the foundation of stability and progress in every community. He has always remained in the general practice of law and his clientage has been extensive and of an important character. Mr. Pratt served on the school committee for many years, acting as its chairman for several years, and the cause of education has ever found in him a stalwart champion. His activities have reached out to the general interests of society with a recognition of the duties and obligations as well as the privileges of citizenship, and he has become a coöperant factor in many movements which have been directly beneficial to city and state.

On the 18th of December, 1879, Mr. Pratt was united in marriage to Miss Henrietta Bowker Spears, of Quincy, a daughter of Seth and Elizabeth (Bowker) Spears. Mrs. Spears was born in Springfield, Vermont, and is a representative of one of the old colonial families. Both Mr. and Mrs. Pratt are members of the Unitarian church. Mrs. Pratt is directly descended from the Henry Adams and the John Baxter families and is a valued member of the Daughters of the Revolution, having been historian of the chapter with which she is identified for twenty-one years. She is also very active in the Woman's Club of Quincy and in the First Parish church. Mr. Pratt was grand dictator of the Knights of Honor of Massachusetts. He still keeps in close touch with many public interests as well as professional activities and through fifty-five years Quincy has numbered him as an honored resident, identified with all those interests which have to do with public progress and the welfare of the community.

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#### WILLIAM J. HARKINS, M. D.

Dr. William J. Harkins, physician and surgeon of Quincy, in which city he was born April 6, 1886, is a son of William and Mary Harkins. The father was a contractor who died in 1910, but the mother is still living. Dr. Harkins after attending the public schools of Quincy, continued his education in the Adams Academy, from which he was graduated with the class of 1905. He later spent one year in the Vermont University and was graduated from the

Vermont Medical College with the class of 1911. Thus well equipped for the practice of his profession, he turned his attention to a special line and devoted one year to study in the Eye and Ear Infirmary of Boston. He afterward had two years' hospital experience, which was of the greatest benefit, and in 1913 he opened an office in Quincy where he has since specialized in the treatment of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. He has served on the staff of the Massachusetts General Hospital, also of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Hospital and of the Quincy Hospital. He has manifested notable skill in his chosen field of labor and his efforts have been attended by the most gratifying results when viewed from both a financial and professional standpoint. He has membership in the Massachusetts Medical Association, the American Medical Association and the New England Otological Association.

On the 14th of May, 1916, Dr. Harkins was united in marriage to Miss Carrie M. Dow, of Lynn, Massachusetts. Fraternally he is connected with the Knights of Columbus. Politically he maintains an independent course and religiously he is connected with St. John's Catholic church. His interests and attention, however, largely concentrate upon his professional duties, the responsibilities and obligations of which he fully realizes. He is thoroughly acquainted with the broad scientific principles which underlie his work and continued study and reading keep him in touch with the most advanced investigation and discoveries of the profession. He has developed ability of a high order and he ranks with the eminent specialists in his particular field in New England.

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### GEORGE FRANK BARRY.

George Frank Barry, superintendent of the Franklin Town Farm, in which connection he is giving general satisfaction, was born in Machias, Maine, on the 11th of February, 1889, a son of Henry and Sarah (Huntley) Barry, who are natives of the Pine Tree state, where the father followed farming for many years. He is now living retired and still makes his home in Maine. During the period of the Civil war he responded to the country's call for troops, going to the front with a Maine regiment.

George Frank Barry spent the period of his boyhood and youth in Machias, Maine, and there attended school. He took up the occupation of farming, to which he had been reared, early becoming

familiar with the best methods of tilling the soil and caring for the crops. In 1910 he removed to Massachusetts and worked on the town farm for two and a half years. On the expiration of that period he was given the position of superintendent of the Franklin Town Farm and has continued to act in that capacity through the intervening period. The farm comprises one hundred and five acres of land and is in an excellent state of improvement and cultivation. Mr. Barry is very practical and progressive in his methods of conducting the place and his labors are bringing excellent results.

On the 23d of April, 1912, Mr. Barry was united in marriage to Miss Florence Summers, a daughter of Albert and Margaret (Stewart) Summers, who were natives of Prince Edward Island and of Nova Scotia respectively. Removing to Massachusetts, the father was employed as a conductor on street cars at Lowell. He is now deceased but the mother is still living.

In his political views Mr. Barry is a republican and he is serving as poundkeeper of the town of Franklin and also as special police in addition to discharging his duties as superintendent of the Franklin Town Farm. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church and his life measures up to high standards of manhood and citizenship, his genuine worth being recognized by all with whom he comes in contact.

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### MILLARD D. LOWE.

Millard D. Lowe is one of the progressive young business men of Stoughton, now at the head of the Electric Sharpener Company as its manager. He is a native of the city in which he still resides, the day of his birth being June 12, 1888. He is a son of Horace W. and Florence C. (Drake) Lowe, who are mentioned at length on another page of this work. Spending his youthful days in the home of his parents, he had the benefit of instruction in the public schools of Stoughton and was thus well qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. He started upon his business career in connection with his father, who has long been identified with the undertaking business in Stoughton, and eventually he was admitted to a partnership in the business, in which he now owns a ninth interest. In 1910 he bought out the factory of the Electric Sharpener Company, adopting the present name at that time. He purchased this business from his uncle, P. M. Worthington, and in 1916 he admitted his brother,

Arthur W., and John J. Powers to a partnership. The three young men are also associated with the undertaking business of the firm of Lowe & Powers, of which their fathers are the leading members. The Electric Sharpener Company is engaged in the manufacture of convex and electric sharpeners and the value of their output is indicated in their rapidly growing trade. They have ever recognized the fact that satisfied customers are their best recommendation and they have put forth every effort to please their patrons. They manufacture any size, style or grade of sharpener desired and for many purposes and their output is now being distributed over a wide territory.

On the 12th of June, 1912, Millard D. Lowe was united in marriage to Miss Iva G. Burrell and they reside at No. 49 Grove street, where the factory is also maintained. Mr. Lowe now employs two men and in addition the three proprietors of the business are active in the work carried on. Fraternally Mr. Lowe is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and that he is appreciative of the social amenities of life is indicated in his membership in the Chicatawbut Club. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and while he is thoroughly informed concerning the leading questions and issues of the day and earnestly desires the success of his party, he does not seek nor desire office. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church and finds expression in his life, for he is a young man honorable and upright, whose entire career commands for him the respect and confidence of those with whom he has been associated.

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### J. HERBERT LIBBY, M. D.

Dr. J. Herbert Libby, a Harvard man who has attained enviable rank as a physician and surgeon of East Weymouth, was born in Denmark, Oxford county, Maine, February 14, 1867, his parents being Isaiah Cole and Hannah F. (Marr) Libby, who were likewise natives of the Pine Tree state. The father was employed by the Boston Ice Company as foreman for thirty years. About 1872 he removed to the city of Boston, where he continued to make his home until called to his final rest on the 15th of October, 1897, being accidentally killed by one of the men working under him. His widow survives and is now living in Charlestown, Massachusetts.

Dr. Libby was reared and educated in Cambridge, Massachu-

setts, supplementing his public school course by study in the Cornish Academy at Cornish, Maine, where he continued as a student for two years. He afterward returned to Boston and entered the Bryant & Stratton Commercial College, from which in due course of time he was graduated. He started upon his business career as an employe of the firm of H. A. Hartley & Company on Washington street in Boston and remained for four years with that firm, which was engaged in the wholesale and retail carpet trade. He determined, however, to devote his life to professional activity and entered a preparatory school on Boylston street in Boston, after which he became a student at Harvard and completed his course in the medical college with the class of 1892. Locating for practice in Boston, he there remained for a year and a half, after which he opened an office in East Weymouth, Norfolk county, where he has remained continuously since August 25, 1895. In the intervening years he has built up a large and lucrative practice and is regarded as one of the most successful and capable physicians of the county. He keeps in touch with the advanced thought of the profession through wide reading and study, is most conscientious in the performance of his professional duties and is interested in everything that tends to bring to man the key to the complex mystery which we call life.

On the 25th of September, 1889, Dr. Libby was united in marriage to Miss Annie J. Price, a daughter of Richard E. and Margaret (Moulton) Price, the former a native of London, England, and the latter of Wales. It was about 1867 that Mr. Price came to the new world, settling in Boston, where he worked at the tinsmith's trade for a time. He then began the manufacture of milk pans and milk cans and milk coolers and continued in that business for a number of years. In 1900 he removed to Litchfield, Maine, where he has since made his home, but his wife passed away in August, 1892. Dr. and Mrs. Libby have one child, Channing Price, who was born July 15, 1901, and is attending high school.

Dr. Libby is a school physician of East Weymouth, a position which he has occupied for five years. He belongs to the North Norfolk District Medical Society, which is a branch of the Massachusetts Medical Society, of which he is also a representative. He likewise has membership in the American Medical Association. Fraternally he is connected with the Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Ancient Order of United Workmen. In Masonry he has taken high rank and is now a Knight Templar and a member of the Mystic Shrine. Politically he is a stalwart republican and his religious belief is that of the

Congregational church. His life, actuated by high and honorable principles, has won for him the regard, confidence and goodwill of all who know him and in all things he measures up to the highest standards of manhood and citizenship. He is a self-made man in that his advancement is the direct outcome of well defined plans and purposes and indefatigable energy. Making good use of his time, his talents and his opportunities and actuated by laudable ambition he has steadily progressed and today occupies an enviable position as one of the foremost representatives of the medical profession in his section of Norfolk county.

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### ATWOOD L. BOGGS.

Atwood L. Boggs is closely associated with that development which is fast making Stoughton an important manufacturing center, with its trade connections reaching out to every section of the country. Mr. Boggs is now the president and treasurer of the Perfection Cooler Company, with which he has been identified since 1909. He was born in Warren, Maine, in July, 1868, and is a son of Benjamin D. and Estella S. (Young) Boggs, who are also natives of Warren and are representatives of some of the oldest families in the state. Ancestors of A. L. Boggs resided in Maine as early as 1632. Benjamin D. Boggs was a farmer by occupation, following that pursuit during the greater part of his active life, but for a brief period was engaged in the wholesale grocery trade. At the time of the Civil war he put aside all business and personal considerations and responded to the country's call for troops, enlisting for three years with a Massachusetts regiment. He did active duty at the front during that period, participating in a number of hotly contested engagements. He now resides in California, where his wife is also living.

Atwood L. Boggs was reared and educated in Warren, Maine, and in early life learned the shoe manufacturing business. After three years devoted to that work he went upon the road as a traveling salesman, starting at the age of twenty years. Mr. Boggs won success as a traveling salesman and continued upon the road until 1909, when he purchased the controlling interest in the Perfection Cooler Company, then doing business at Haverhill, Massachusetts. He removed the business, however, to Boston and in 1912 established the plant at Stoughton, where he has since been engaged in the manufac-





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ture of water coolers used in offices and stores. The output of the plant is shipped all over the world. The company has recently purchased a large plant at Michigan City, Indiana, more extensive than the Stoughton plant. Their sales have reached an annual figure of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, but in 1918 they expect to do a business of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars. They put out twenty-five thousand coolers in 1917 and expect to double this in the present year and hope to make their sales reach one hundred thousand in 1920. Their product is of the highest standard of coolers and as it gives uniform satisfaction the business is growing rapidly.

In April, 1906, Mr. Boggs was united in marriage to Miss Alice J. Hall, a daughter of James R. and Elizabeth (Hall) Hall, who are natives of Nova Scotia and are still residing there. Mr. Boggs belongs to the Masonic fraternity, in which he has taken the degrees of lodge, chapter, council, commandery and Mystic Shrine. He is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, having membership in the lodge at Rochester, New York, for twenty years. Politically he is a republican but not an office seeker. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church. He is highly esteemed in Stoughton, where he has developed a business of substantial proportions that has become recognized as one of the important manufacturing interests of the city. His home is at 47 Mason Terrace in Brookline.

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### RUSSELL GLIDDEN PARTRIDGE.

Russell Glidden Partridge, well known as a corporation lawyer and active member of the bar of Boston, maintaining his residence in Dedham, his native city, was born in 1886, a son of J. Lester and Helen Frances (Clark) Partridge. The father was born in Thomaston, Maine, in 1844 and, removing to Dedham in early life, was there married in 1879. His death occurred in February, 1915, and in his passing Dedham mourned the loss of one of its representative men. He had been a traveling salesman for fifty years and was widely and prominently known throughout the state. He possessed a social, genial nature which made for popularity wherever he went and to this he added marked business talent for the line of activity to which he directed his attention.

Russell G. Partridge was a pupil in the public schools of Ded-

ham and also attended school at Lakeville, Connecticut. Later he entered Harvard and was graduated with the class of 1908. He thus gained a broad literary foundation upon which to build the superstructure of professional knowledge and in 1910 completed a course in the Harvard Law School, thus qualifying for active practice at the bar. Opening an office in Boston, he engaged in general practice and in October, 1915, he became the attorney for the United Fruit Company. He has since been active at the bar of Boston and has won very favorable criticism by reason of the thoroughness and care with which he has prepared his cases, while his retentive mind has often excited the surprise of his professional colleagues.

Mr. Partridge gives his political allegiance to the republican party and is thoroughly informed concerning the vital questions and issues of the day but does not seek nor desire office. Fraternally he is a Blue Lodge Mason and his only club associations are with the Dedham Republican Club, of which he served as president for a year and as secretary and treasurer for a year. His religious faith is that of the Congregational church. A lifelong resident of Dedham, he is widely and favorably known by reason of attractive social qualities which make for personal popularity as well as by reason of his professional attainments.

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### FREDERIC COPELAND COBB.

Frederic Copeland Cobb, treasurer of the Dedham Water Company and since 1914 moderator of his native city, was born in 1868, a son of Jonathan and Martha Sigourney (Wales) Cobb. His father was born in the year 1829 and was assistant register of probate and insolvency, succeeding his father, Jonathan Holmes Cobb, in the position of register. He served for about forty-four years, beginning in 1860, in the two offices, filling the position of register for about a quarter of a century. The Cobbs come of English ancestry. The grandfather, Jonathan Holmes Cobb, was born in Sharon, Massachusetts, and immediately following his graduation from Harvard College took up his abode in Dedham, where his remaining days were passed, his death there occurring in 1882. Jonathan Cobb also continued a lifelong resident of Dedham, where he passed away April 13, 1913. His wife, a native of Boston, died in the '70s.

Frederic C. Cobb pursued his early education in public and private schools of Dedham, and on attaining his majority turned his

attention to bookkeeping. Since February, 1912, he has been treasurer of the Dedham Water Company and active in the management and successful control of the business. He has on various occasions been called to public office and his record is in harmony with that of his ancestors, who were always characterized by marked devotion to the general good. In 1900 Mr. Cobb became clerk of the board of sewer commissioners of Dedham and continued to fill that office until 1912. During the last three years of that period he was acting superintendent. He was also collector of taxes for Dedham from 1903 until 1912 and he served as town clerk in the year 1912. In 1913 he was made a member of a committee of twenty-one, now called the warrant committee, and in March, 1914, he was elected moderator of the town of Dedham and at each annual election since that time has been again chosen for the office, the duties of which he has most efficiently and promptly performed. Aside from his business interests as treasurer of the Water Company he is auditor of the Norfolk Mutual Fire Insurance Company and also of the Dedham Mutual Life Insurance Company.

On the 16th of November, 1907, in North Adams, Massachusetts, Mr. Cobb was married to Miss Gertrude E., daughter of Charles W. Billings, and they have become parents of a son, Jonathan Billings, born November 11, 1913. The religious faith of the family is that of the Unitarian church.

Fraternally Mr. Cobb is connected with Constellation Lodge, F. & A. M., and is a past district deputy grand master of the twenty-fifth district. He is also a past master of his lodge and is a most worthy exemplar of the craft, faithfully adhering to its tenets and its teachings. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, of which he has ever been a stalwart champion. Those who know him, and he has a wide acquaintance, esteem him as a man of genuine worth and one who is most devoted to the interests of his community.

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### WILLIAM FRANCIS KING.

William Francis King is an honored veteran of the Civil war and is actively identified with farming interests in Norfolk county, making his home at Acorn Place in Franklin. He was born in the township of Wrentham on the 5th of September, 1839, and is therefore approaching the seventy-ninth milestone on life's journey. His

parents were David and Lucy (Maker) King. The father was a native of Paisley, Scotland, and was a son of John King, who was a weaver of that country, where he spent his entire life. David King remained a resident of the land of hills and heather until he reached the age of nineteen years. He came to the United States in 1819 and after a short time spent as a farm hand in New Hampshire removed to Massachusetts and a few years later took up his abode in the town of Wrentham, Norfolk county. He set up looms in eighteen mills in that section and was employed as superintendent of weaving in various mills until he reached the age of about forty-seven years, when he took up his abode upon his farm in Franklin and there resided until his death, which occurred September 30, 1865. The mother of William Francis King was born on Cape Cod. Her father was a sea captain and was of Scotch descent. Both of her parents lie buried at Brewster, where for many years they had made their home and where the family had lived through several generations. Solomon Maker, the maternal grandfather of William Francis King, was a veteran of the War of 1812. He married Chloe Nickerson, who was also of Scotch descent and who resided at Brewster, on Cape Cod. Their daughter Lucy became the wife of David King and her death occurred when their son, William Francis, was less than two years of age, her remains being interred in the family plot in City Mills cemetery. By her marriage she had become the mother of seven children: William, who died in infancy; Emeline S., now deceased, who was the wife of Charles Johnson and lived first at Natick, Rhode Island, while later their home was established in Hartford, Connecticut; Warren N., who was a mason by trade and lived at Franklin, at Medway and at Canton, Massachusetts; John who had been overseer of a mill at Medway and at Stony Creek, Massachusetts, and when he passed away was laid to rest at Medway; Margaret, who died in childhood; Chloe, who spent her entire life in Norfolk county; and William Francis, of this review.

When the last named was four years of age the father married again, his second union being with Lucy Fisher, a daughter of Daniel C. and Lurania Fisher, who were pioneer residents of Franklin. Her father was a cabinet maker and had been born upon the farm which is now owned by William F. King of this review. His father also bore the name of Daniel C. Fisher and had taken up his abode upon this farm, receiving the title from George III, king of England. When David King married Lucy Fisher the title to the farm property came to her and they resided upon the farm until they were called to the home beyond. To the father's second marriage

there was born one child, Elizabeth, who died at the age of five years.

William Francis King pursued his education in the district schools of City Mills until he reached the age of fourteen years, after which he was employed upon the home farm by his father and early became familiar with the best methods of tilling the soil and caring for the crops. When eighteen years of age he assumed the management of his property, owing to his father's feeble health, and since the father's death he has come into possession of the place, which he now owns and which is cultivated under his direction.

In 1863 Mr. King responded to the country's call for troops, enlisting as a member of Company 1 of the Eighteenth Massachusetts Infantry, with which he saw active service at the front throughout the remainder of the war. He participated in the Battle of the Wilderness and in the engagements at Petersburg, Weldon Railroad, Peebles Farm, Stone Creek, Hatcher's Run, Popple Springs and Appomattox, and when the war was brought to a successful termination by the Union troops he was honorably discharged and returned to his home.

Mr. King had previously married. On the 2d of July, 1860, he wedded Laura Anna Lawrence, a daughter of Addison C. and Olive (Hill) Lawrence, who were natives of Wrentham. Mr. and Mrs. King became the parents of three children: Lucy Maribel, who was born April 8, 1863; David A., who is now proprietor of a meat market at West Medway; and William W., who is a piano finisher in Boston. The wife and mother passed away at City Mills, March 29, 1875, and her remains were interred in the cemetery there. On the 6th of July, 1879, Mr. King was again married, his second union being with Abby Elizabeth Morey, a daughter of William W. and Lydia (Converse) Morey, who were natives of New Hampshire. They resided later, however, in Massachusetts, establishing their home at Brockton. There was one child born of this marriage, Ruth Elizabeth, who is now the wife of Augustin D. Hancock, of Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. King are consistent members of the Baptist church and guide their lives according to its teachings. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, which he has supported since casting his first presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln in 1860. He has never been a politician in the usually accepted sense of office seeking but he served as state inspector of animals for sixteen years and did valuable service in that connection. His home farm was once the site of the Thomas Barrett grammar school, where Horace

Mann was a pupil. The farm comprises one hundred and forty acres of valuable and productive land and is a pretty place, constituting one of the attractive features of the landscape. It is carefully cultivated and systematically managed under the direction of Mr. King, who has spent his entire life in this section of the state and is one of the honored and valued residents of the town of Franklin, Norfolk county.

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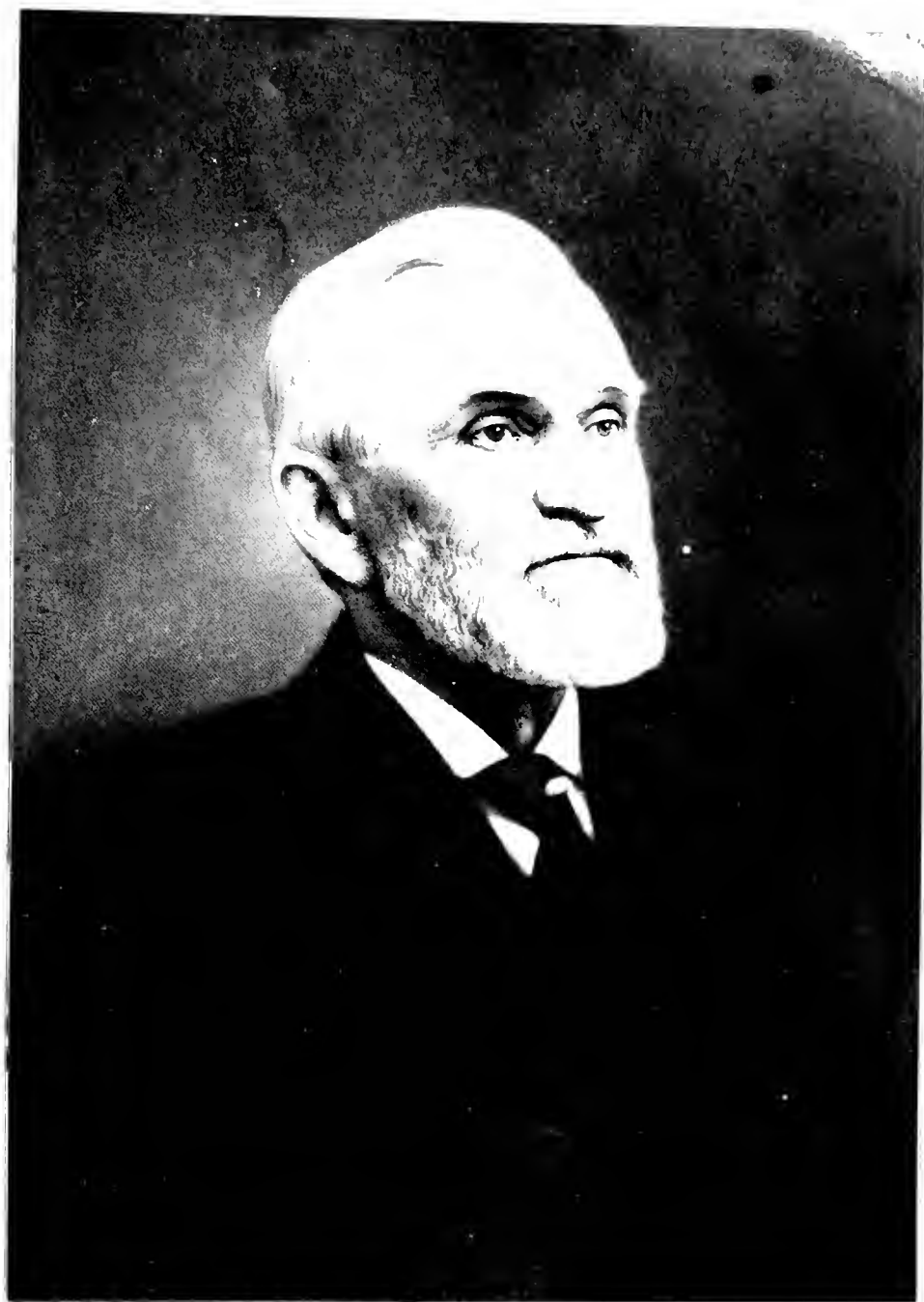
### ALBERT D. WILLETT.

A most interesting record is that of Albert D. Willett, who has lived to celebrate his golden wedding and whose life has been one of activity and usefulness, gaining for him the respect and confidence of all with whom he has been brought in contact.

He was born in Annapolis county, Nova Scotia, on the 6th of February, 1838, so that he has now reached the eightieth milestone on life's journey. The Willett family has been represented in America since the early part of the seventeenth century, the immigrant ancestor having come from England. He became the first mayor of New York city and Albert D. Willett is among his direct descendants. His grandparents were Andrew and Sybil (Hartshorn) Willett, the former a farmer of Walpole, where he was born and made his home for many years.

The parents of Albert D. Willett were George and Lucy (Bent) Willett. The former was born at Walpole and pursued his education in its public schools. On attaining his majority he went to Nova Scotia, where he worked at carpentering throughout the remainder of his days save for a period of two years during the boyhood of Albert D. Willett, when he again lived in Walpole, but later he returned to Nova Scotia and was identified with building operations there until his demise. His wife was a native of Nova Scotia, and when they were called to their final rest their remains were interred in the cemetery at Tupperville in Annapolis county. In their family were eight children: Susan, the deceased wife of Samuel Gardner, of St. John, New Brunswick; Harriett, who became the wife of Captain Joseph Pritchard, of St. John, and has passed away; Joseph Avard, who made his home in Nova Scotia and has departed this life; William Fletcher, who was a resident of Tupperville and has passed away; Sybil Julia, the deceased wife of Edward Fisher, of St. John; Lucy Jane, the deceased wife of Stephen Edwin Bent, a





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resident farmer of Nova Scotia; Gilbert Ray, a twin brother of Albert D., who lived in Tupperville and at St. John but has departed this life; and Mr. Willett, of this review.

In the schools of Nova Scotia, Albert D. Willett pursued his education until he reached the age of sixteen years, when he and his brother returned to Walpole and he became a student in the schools of that city. He pursued his education for two years in Walpole and afterward accepted a position in a twine factory, where he was employed for thirteen years, gradually working his way upward in that connection. During the succeeding decade he was employed in a carding mill and afterward he took up carpentering and assisted in building the Stone school. He later became a janitor of the school and occupied that position for thirteen years. Since 1898 he has been engaged in the insurance business. His has been an active and useful life and his entire career has been characterized by fidelity to duty, by indefatigable energy and persistency of purpose.

On the 10th of December, 1867, Mr. Willett was united in marriage to Miss Lillian E. Brummit, a daughter of Frank E. and Lucy (Allen) Brummit, the former a native of Lester, Massachusetts, and the latter of Walpole. Both have long since passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Willett have become the parents of a son and a daughter: George F., who is now one of the principal directors of the American Felt Company of Norwood, having become a multimillionaire; and Jessie, who is the wife of S. E. Bentley, of Walpole.

In his political views Mr. Willett is a republican, having supported the party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. Fraternally he is connected with the Ancient Order of United Workmen and his religious faith is that of the Congregational church, which has always guided him in every relation of life and made him a man whom to know is to respect and honor. He has many friends in Walpole, where so many years of his life have been passed, and his course has ever merited the confidence and respect which are uniformly given him.

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### CLARENCE A. HIGHT.

Clarence A. Hight has carved his name high on the keystone of the legal arch of Massachusetts. As a member of the firm of Coolidge & Hight he is engaged in the practice of law in Boston and is regarded as one of the foremost representatives of the profession

practicing in that city. He makes his home in Brookline and is a native of Scarborough, Maine, where he was born June 26, 1868, his parents being Horatio and Clara E. (Milliken) Hight, who were also natives of the Pine Tree state, where they spent their entire lives and for many years the father was connected with the United States customs service. He was stationed in Portland, Maine, for a long period and there passed away in 1899. At the outbreak of the Civil war he had responded to the country's call for troops to preserve the Union and had become a second lieutenant in the Twelfth Maine Infantry, with which he served with honor and distinction, participating in a number of memorable engagements which brought him the brevet of captain at the close of the war. His widow still survives and is yet a resident of Portland. In their family were four children: Le Roy, a resident of Augusta, Maine; Clarence A.; Francis, whose home is in Winchester, Massachusetts; and Louis F., who died when about nineteen years old.

In his youthful days Clarence A. Hight was a pupil in the public schools of Portland, Maine, and after mastering the branches of learning therein taught he became a student at Harvard and completed his classical course in 1889, at which time the Bachelor of Arts degree was conferred upon him. He had determined to make law practice his life work and with that end in view he entered the law class and was graduated in 1892. The same year he opened an office in Portland, Maine, where he remained in active and successful practice until 1899, when he removed to Boston and has since been a representative of the bar of that city. He first became associated with A. A. Strout, of Boston and Portland, in the legal department of the Grand Trunk Railway offices and there continued as assistant until 1898, when he was appointed New England solicitor of the Grand Trunk Railway System and so served until January, 1917, when he resigned on account of the pressure of other business. In 1899 he formed a law partnership with William H. Coolidge and through the intervening period the firm of Coolidge & Hight has been regarded as one of the most prominent and representative law firms of Boston. Mr. Hight is devotedly attached to the profession, is systematic and methodical in habits, sober and discreet in judgment, calm in temper, diligent in research and conscientious in the discharge of every duty. His colleagues at the bar entertain the highest consideration for his integrity, his impartiality, his love of justice and strong common sense, which mark his career as a lawyer and as a man. Mr. Hight belongs to the Boston Bar Association, the Massachusetts State Bar Association and the American Bar Associa-

tion. He has largely concentrated his efforts and attention upon corporation law and he is now attorney for various large corporations having headquarters in Boston.

On the 9th of November, 1892, Mr. Hight was united in marriage to Miss Emily L. Coyle, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Coyle, of Portland, Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Hight attend the Episcopal church, and his political support is given to the republican party. He is a member of the town meeting board of Brookline and, appreciative of the social amenities of life, he has membership in the Harvard and the Exchange Clubs of Boston, the Brookline Country Club, and the Cumberland Club of Portland. He has a very wide acquaintance and his marked professional ability and personal worth have given him firm hold upon the regard and confidence of his fellow citizens.

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#### DANIEL B. REARDON, M. D.

Dr. Daniel B. Reardon, whose professional activity has included active service in France with the First Harvard Unit in the present war, was born in Quincy, where he still makes his home, his natal day being October 5, 1878. His parents were Bartholomew W. and Catherine Agnes (Donavan) Reardon, the former a native of Ireland, while the latter was born in Lawrence, Massachusetts. The father was a stonecutter by trade, following that occupation throughout his entire life. His widow still survives and is yet a resident of Quincy.

Reared under the parental roof, Dr. Reardon spent his youth in the acquirement of a public school education in Quincy and later was graduated from the Adams Academy with the class of 1894. He made his initial step in the business world in connection with the New York & New England Railroad Company, occupying a position in the statistical department for four years. He afterward spent one year as a student in Harvard College and then matriculated in the medical school of Harvard University, being graduated therefrom with the class of 1903. He later served as surgical house officer in the Boston City Hospital for two years, gaining broad and valuable experience in that connection. On the 1st of May, 1905, he opened an office in Quincy, where he has since practiced, devoting his attention both to medicine and surgery. In the latter field he has developed notable skill and is now surgeon of the Quincy City

Hospital, of which he is also one of the trustees. In 1915 he went abroad, spending four months with the British army as a member of the First Harvard Unit in France, twenty miles behind the firing line, holding the rank of captain. He returned in October, 1915, to resume the private practice of medicine, in which he has since been engaged, and the patronage accorded him in very extensive. He is now a captain in the Medical Reserve Corps United States Army.

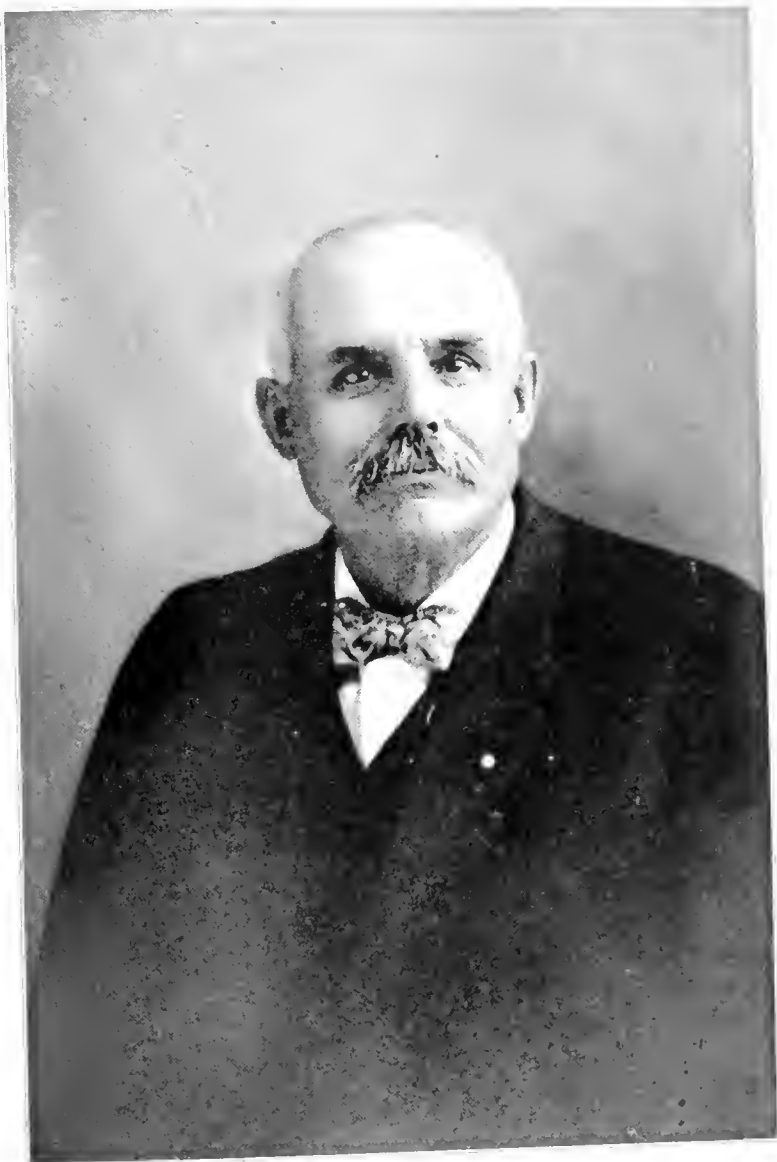
On the 2d of June, 1908, Dr. Reardon was united in marriage to Miss Mary Cashman, of Quincy, and they now have three children, Paul, Mary and George, aged respectively seven, five and one years.

The doctor and his wife are communicants of St. John's Catholic church and he is connected with the Knights of Columbus and also with the Catholic Order of Foresters. He is likewise a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and he has membership in the Granite City Club and in the Neighborhood Club. Along strictly professional lines he is connected with the Norfolk South District Medical Association, of which he was the secretary and treasurer for two years, and with the Massachusetts Medical Association and the American Medical Association. His practice exemplifies the latest discoveries and researches of the profession that have to do with the laws of health and with advanced surgical work and in all that he undertakes he is actuated by a laudable ambition to reach the highest degree of efficiency possible.

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### ROSWELL K. STEVENS.

Roswell K. Stevens has been active as a contractor of Franklin for the past thirty-two years and has built up the most extensive business of that character in the town. His birth occurred at North Blue Hill, Maine, on the 30th of October, 1856, his parents being Gideon H. and Celesta A. (Perkins) Stevens, who were also natives of that state. Their children were three in number, namely: Edson J., who is a resident of California; Roswell K., of this review; and Elizabeth, who became the wife of George Richards, of Franklin, Massachusetts, and has passed away. Gideon H. Stevens, the father of this family, was a ship carpenter by trade and died at Kittery, Maine, at the age of twenty-eight years, his remains being interred at Thorndike, Maine, where his parents also lie buried. His widow afterward became the wife of Rufus K. Ballard, a carpenter of Vassalboro, Maine, and a little later they removed to Dorchester, Mas-



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sachusetts, there residing until 1872. In that year they took up their abode in Franklin, where Mr. Ballard was engaged in carpenter work to the time of his demise. Both he and his wife were buried in the Franklin cemetery. Their only child died in infancy.

Roswell K. Stevens pursued a common school education in Dorchester, Massachusetts, until twelve years of age and subsequently was employed by the Jordan Marsh Dry Goods Company and other concerns of Boston for a few years. He then began work as a carpenter in Franklin and was thus employed during the summer months, while in the winter seasons he worked in straw shops. His time was occupied in that way until he had reached the age of thirty years, when he embarked in business on his own account as a contractor and has since devoted his attention to the building of dwelling houses, his activities in that connection extending over a period of thirty-two years. He now enjoys the most extensive business of that character in Franklin and his success is the merited reward of industry, perseverance, sound judgment and well directed energy.

Mr. Stevens has been married twice. On the 24th of November, 1877, he wedded Miss Clara Rounds, a daughter of Sylvanus and Amanda (Cooper) Rounds, farming people of Attleboro, Massachusetts, both of whom are deceased, their remains being interred at Franklin. The last years of their lives had been spent on a farm near that town. Roswell K. and Clara (Rounds) Stevens had one son, Shirley, who married Addie Curtis, by whom he had one child, Dorothy, who now makes her home in Franklin. William Curtis, the father of Addie (Curtis) Stevens, is still living in Franklin, but his wife has passed away. In 1908 Roswell K. Stevens was called upon to mourn the loss of his first wife, her death occurring on the 20th of December of that year and her remains being interred in the Franklin cemetery. On the 21st of December, 1910, Mr. Stevens was again married, his second union being with Miss Cora Wilson, a cousin of his first wife and a daughter of Edward A. and Anna M. (Cooper) Wilson. The father is still living and makes his home with Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, but the mother is deceased and was buried at Attleboro, Massachusetts.

In his political views Mr. Stevens is a staunch republican, having supported the party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He served as a selectman of Franklin for six years and for two years acted as chairman of the board, making a creditable record in that connection. Fraternally he is identified with the Masons, belonging to lodge, chapter and commandery, and he is also affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Improved

Order of Red Men, the Grange and the New England Order of Protection. His religious faith is that of the Methodist church. He owns a handsome residence in Franklin and enjoys an enviable reputation as an enterprising, progressive and esteemed citizen of his community.

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### WALTER AUSTIN.

Walter Austin, a capitalist of Dedham and one of the representative citizens of eastern Massachusetts, was born in Honolulu in 1865 and is descended from English ancestry, the family, however, having been represented in Massachusetts through many generations. The first of the name in America came from England in 1638 and settled at Charlestown, Massachusetts. James Walker Austin, father of Walter Austin, was born in Charlestown in 1829 and in the year 1855 he married Amanda Elizabeth Sleeper, a daughter of the Hon. John S. Sleeper, of Roxbury. It was in the year 1849 that James Walker Austin was graduated from Harvard and in 1852 he went to California. Not long afterward he sailed for Honolulu, where he resided for twenty-two years, being actively engaged in the practice of law during that period. He became a man of marked influence in Hawaiian affairs and was speaker of the house in Honolulu and was also judge of the Hawaiian supreme court under King Kamehameha. He passed away in Southampton, England, in 1895 and his widow, surviving him for six years, departed this life in Marion, Massachusetts, in 1911.

Born in the Hawaiian islands, Walter Austin when seven years of age became a pupil of Chauncy Hall, a private school in Boston, and after the completion of his preparatory course entered Harvard, completing his classical work in 1887. He then became a law student at Harvard and was graduated from the law department with the class of 1890. He at once entered upon active practice, in which he continued for fifteen years, but practically retired from active connection with the profession in 1905 and has since given his attention to the direction of his invested interests.

In 1897, in Orange, New Jersey, Mr. Austin was united in marriage to Miss Mabel Lindsley Frazar, a daughter of Everett Frazar, deceased, who was a merchant in Japan for many years and was the official representative of Korea in the United States for an extended period. Mr. and Mrs. Austin have become parents of two sons and

a daughter: Lindsley, who was born in 1900; John, born in 1905; and Dorothy.

The religious faith of Mr. and Mrs. Austin is that of the Unitarian church. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and he has served as selectman of Dedham, recognizing at all times the duties and obligations of citizenship and taking active part in those community interests which work for the advancement of civic standards and improvement. He is now identified with the Massachusetts State Guard as a member of the First Motor Corps. Fraternally he is a Mason and he is a well known member of the Union Club of Boston.

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### WALTER SANGER CRANE.

Walter Sanger Crane is occupying an enviable position in financial circles in Boston and is accounted one of the valued residents of Dedham. He was born in Brookline, Massachusetts, in 1868, a son of Joshua Crane, who was born in Boston in 1828 and departed this life in Dedham in 1905.

Spending his youthful days under the parental roof, Walter S. Crane acquired a public school education in Brookline and then entered Harvard, where he completed his literary course by graduation with the class of 1890. He then went west, where he engaged in contracting work for a New York firm, devoting his energies to that business until 1898, when he returned to Boston and for five years was identified with various business interests. He has for more than a decade, figured prominently in financial circles, having become one of the incorporators of the Mutual National Bank of Boston and of the Metropolitan Trust Company. He was vice president of the original bank and is vice president of the latter corporation, thus taking active part in directing its policy and shaping its activities. He is bending his energies to executive effort and administrative control and has made for himself a most creditable position in the financial circles of the city.

In politics Mr. Crane is a progressive republican. His interest in community affairs is indicated in the fact that he is assistant treasurer of the Massachusetts General Hospital, a position which he has occupied since 1914. He stands for all that has to do with general progress and improvement and his efforts in behalf of public welfare have been of a most practical and resultant character. His religious

faith is that of the Unitarian church and in club circles he is well known, having membership in the Harvard Club of Boston, the Algonquin Club, the Dedham Country & Polo Club, the Dedham Club and the Beverly Yacht Club.

On the 5th of February, 1895, Mr. Crane was united in marriage to Miss Sarah F. Platt, of Columbus, Ohio, and their children are Walter S., Dorothy, Francis Valentine and Sarah Lucy. Mr. Crane finds his recreation in yachting and golf and turns from the stress of important business interests and responsibilities to these phases of outdoor life.

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### HENRY M. STOWELL.

Henry M. Stowell, of Walpole, who for a quarter of a century has been connected with C. F. & G. W. Eddy, Incorporated, of Boston, wholesale dealers in hay and grain, whom he represents as buyer, was born in Petersham, Massachusetts, January 8, 1868, a son of James H. and Lucy A. (Patch) Stowell. He attended the public schools of Petersham and afterward had the benefit of instruction in the Worcester Academy. Since putting aside his textbooks he has been identified with the hay and grain trade and his position in business circles is indicated by the fact that he has remained for twenty-five years in active connection with C. F. & G. W. Eddy, Incorporated, of Boston,—a fact indicative of his capability, fidelity and enterprise.

On the 15th of April, 1891, in Walpole, Mr. Stowell was united in marriage to Miss Annie P. Pierce, a daughter of George A. Pierce, of Walpole, where he resided for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Stowell have become the parents of two children: Raymond M., who married Louise Coggsell, of New Bedford, Massachusetts; and James A., who is an ensign in the United States navy.

Mr. Stowell is identified with Reliance Lodge, I. O. O. F., in which he has held nearly all of the offices, including that of noble grand. He is also a trustee of the order, a position which he has occupied for ten years, and is now acting as chairman of the board of trustees. His religious faith is that of the Episcopal church. In politics he is a republican and from 1898 until 1906 he served as water commissioner of the town of Walpole and from 1910 until 1916 was a selectman, serving as chairman of the board in 1911, 1912, 1913, 1915 and 1916, or through the entire period of his connection

with the board save two years. His official record is indeed creditable and his devotion to the general welfare has been manifest in many tangible ways. Aside from his business interests as representative of the Boston firm he is a director of the Foxboro Co-operative Bank. He makes his home in Walpole, where he is widely and favorably known, having an extensive circle of warm friends there.

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### JAMES PERCY ROBERTS.

Among the well known members of the Dedham bar is James Percy Roberts, who maintains an office in Dedham and also in Boston, making his home, however, in the former town. He was born in Andover, Massachusetts, in 1874 and is a representative of one of the old families of the state. His paternal grandfather was James Roberts, who died in North Reading, Massachusetts, in 1875. James Pascoe Roberts, father of James Percy Roberts, was born in Penzance, England, in 1841 and came to the United States with his parents in 1850, the family home being established in Salem, Massachusetts. Throughout the greater part of his active life he engaged in the coal business in Lawrence, Massachusetts. He married Louisa C. Wardwell, a daughter of Benjamin F. Wardwell, and took up his abode in Andover, Massachusetts. His wife was a representative of one of the old families of Andover, her first American ancestor being Samuel Wardwell, who was one of the victims of the witchcraft illusion in Salem, he being convicted on the testimony of one "who had visions." The death of James Pascoe Roberts occurred in 1883 and his widow, surviving him for about a third of a century, died in 1915.

James Percy Roberts, after attending the public schools of Andover, continued his education in the Punchard high school of his native town. He graduated in 1911 from the Northeastern College of Law at Boston, with the degree of LL. B. He then opened an office in Dedham and also in Boston and has devoted his attention to professional activities in the two cities, being recognized as one of the able representatives of the Bar in eastern Massachusetts. Along with those qualities indispensable to the lawyer—a keen, rapid, logical mind plus good business sense and a ready capacity for hard work, he brought to the starting point of his legal career certain rare gifts—eloquence in debate and a strong personality. A thorough grasp

of the law and the ability to accurately apply its principles are factors in his effectiveness as an advocate.

On the 1st of January, 1911, in Dedham, Mr. Roberts was united in marriage to Miss Myrtle Freeman, a daughter of the late Leonard A. Freeman, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church in Dedham. They have two sons: Philip, who was born February 21, 1912; and Paul, born December 19, 1913. The parents are members of the First Baptist church of Boston and Mr. Roberts is identified with the Twentieth Century Club of Boston. His military record covers service as cadet captain of the Punchard School Cadets at Andover and in Dedham Company of the State Guard. His political views are those of an independent progressive and he keeps in touch with the vital problems and questions of the day, giving his support to the principle of free speech through the Open Forum National Council and the Ford Hall Meetings in Boston which he believes are factors in good citizenship and in promoting a more sympathetic understanding between the many racial groups in America. Aside from his law practice he is a trustee of the Colonial Associates of Boston, a real estate trust, and he is also secretary of the Boston Baptist Social Union. During the war he is in Washington as a solicitor with the United States Fuel Administration. His native talents and his acquired powers fit him for leadership in all that he undertakes and his life record is an indication of the fact that power grows through the exercise of effort.

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### REV. CORNELIUS I. RIORDAN.

Rev. Cornelius I. Riordan, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Catholic church of East Weymouth and of St. Jerome church of North Weymouth, was born in Lowell, Massachusetts, January 10, 1853, a son of Patrick and Mary (Dempsey) Riordan, who were natives of Ireland. They came to America in 1846, settling in Lowell, Massachusetts, where they resided throughout their remaining days, the death of the father occurring in 1875, while the mother passed away in 1905.

Rev. Cornelius I. Riordan in 1883 entered St. Joseph's Seminary at Troy, New York, and spent one year there. He was afterward for four years a student in St. John's Seminary at Brighton, Massachusetts. In 1887 he was ordained to the holy priesthood and after filling various positions as assistant pastor for eighteen years was given



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charge, in January, 1905, of Rockport parish and there remained until 1914, when he was transferred to East Weymouth.

The first Catholic services within the boundary limits of Weymouth were held in East Weymouth in a house which occupied the site of the present Eagle House on Commercial street. This was prior to the year 1850, at which time it seemed that the largest proportion of the Catholic people of the town resided in East Weymouth, so that Fathers Roddan and Lynch first celebrated mass in the house above mentioned. But the year 1850 found the Catholics using the hall over the little schoolhouse which then stood on School street but has since been moved and is now used as a blacksmith shop at the corner of Commercial and High streets. In 1859 Father Roche, then in charge of this mission, erected the first Catholic church in Weymouth, at what is known as Gravel Hill, a point supposed to be the most central and best suited to accommodate the Catholics of all parts of the town. In November, 1868, the church was destroyed by fire and the way was open for the building of another church, which was undertaken by Father Hugh P. Smyth, who a short time before had been appointed pastor of Weymouth and the whole district of the South Shore and Plymouth. Various districts wished to have the church located in their midst and Father Smyth promised that the district which collected the most money should have the church. However, he hoped to erect a church for each of the three districts of South Weymouth, Weymouth Landing and East Weymouth. The South Weymouth church was completed in 1870, and for Weymouth Landing, Father Smyth purchased an old tavern, and for East Weymouth temporarily secured in 1871 what was known as Randall's Hall, over the shoe shop next to the present church. At length the work of building the present church was begun, the corner stone being laid August 10, 1873, and the church dedicated November 23, 1879, by Archbishop Williams, under the title of the Immaculate Conception. The architect was P. C. Keeley of Brooklyn, New York. In 1881 a chapel was erected at North Weymouth and dedicated by Archbishop Williams under the patronage of St. Jerome. At that time Father Smyth found the work of attending so many churches too much for one pastor and so East and North Weymouth were set apart as a separate parish and Rev. Jeremiah E. Millerick was appointed the first pastor in October, 1882. He remained until 1887, when he was appointed to the pastorate at Wakefield and Rev. Daniel S. Healy succeeded him. Father Healy died in July, 1902, and was succeeded by the Rev. James W. Allison, who remained in charge until his death on the 9th of December,

1914. On the 21st of the same month Rev. Cornelius I. Riordan was appointed to the church and is assisted by Rev. Carl F. Dunberry and Rev. William J. O'Brien. The chapel at North Weymouth was burned and Father Allison undertook to build a new church, but death claimed him and the building was completed by Father Riordan. It is a fine building of old Gothic style and was erected at a cost of forty thousand dollars. The church is located on Broad street and the parochial residence at 795 Commercial street. Father Riordan is doing excellent work for the church and its activities are well organized.

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### HON. LOUIS ATWOOD COOK.

The sudden death of Louis Atwood Cook on the 16th of May, 1918, brought great sorrow to his many friends in Norfolk county. He was a native of the old Bay state, having been born in Blackstone, Worcester county, Massachusetts, May 4, 1847, a son of Louis and Orinda (Ballou) Cook and a descendant of Walter Cook, who came from England and settled in Weymouth, Massachusetts, in 1643. His early education was acquired in the common schools of his native county, after which he attended the Phillips Exeter Academy and at the age of twenty-two began teaching in Bellingham, Norfolk county. Later he was principal of the Bates grammar school of South Weymouth, having in the meantime taught at Blackstone, Smithfield and other places.

In November, 1879, Mr. Cook was elected representative to the general court and in 1880 and again in 1889 and 1890 he was chosen to represent his district in the state legislature. In the meantime he studied law and was admitted to the bar in Plymouth county on the 13th of November, 1884. Soon afterward he became the senior partner of the law firm of Cook & Coughlan and practiced his profession in that connection for several years. In January, 1897, he became clerk of the courts in and for Norfolk county and for more than twenty years he served as special justice of the district court of East Norfolk. He continued as clerk of the court to the time of his death. For twenty-six years he was the moderator of the Weymouth town meetings.

In 1876 Mr. Cook was united in marriage to Miss Lucinda A. Clark, of Weymouth, and to them was born a daughter, Florence M., who is a teacher at Greenville, North Carolina, and two sons:

Louis A., who is assistant clerk of Norfolk county; and Sidney R., editor of the *Canadian Monthly*.

Mr. Cook was always interested in the affairs of Weymouth and had served as park commissioner and school committeeman and was a trustee of the Tufts Library. He belonged to the New England Historical and Genealogical Society, the Weymouth Historical Society, the Dedham Historical Society and at the time of his death was president of the Historical Society of Mendon. His interest in historical matters was evidenced by the membership which he held in those organizations and he was chosen by the publishers as historian of this volume and devoted much time to research work, continuing his duties in that connection until his death. His friends were many and the warmest regard was entertained for him by all who knew him.

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### TIMOTHY FRANCIS DALY.

Timothy Francis Daly, attorney and counsellor at law at Stoughton, was born in Holbrook, Massachusetts, April 6, 1883, a son of Patrick and Ellen Daly. In the acquirement of an education he attended the Holbrook public schools and was graduated from the Holbrook high school with the class of June, 1901. Determining upon the practice of law as a life work, he then entered the Boston University Law School, from which he was graduated cum laude with the LL. B. degree in 1904. At once he entered upon the active practice of his profession, which he has since followed, and he has been connected with much important work of the court.

On the 26th of November, 1913, in Stoughton, Mr. Daly was united in marriage to Miss Mary Estelle Hatch, a daughter of Benjamin F. and Mary Hatch, the former now deceased. They have become the parents of two sons and one daughter, Francis, Joseph and Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Daly attend the Immaculate Conception church at Stoughton and he holds membership with the Knights of Columbus, serving for the fifth term in the office of chancellor. He is also connected with the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, of which he is a past chief ranger. He is likewise identified with Chitcatawbut Club, with the Stoughton C. A. A. and the Stoughton Board of Trade, associations that indicate much of the nature of his interests. In politics he maintains an independent course, voting for men and measures rather than party. Since 1913 he has filled the

position of town moderator of Stoughton, making a most excellent record in this connection by the practical and effective methods which he has inaugurated in promoting the public welfare.

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### ALBERT A. MEAD.

Albert A. Mead, whose record is that of business enterprise, intelligently directed, has worked his way steadily upward until he now occupies a creditable and enviable position in manufacturing circles in Stoughton as the president of the Upham Brothers Company. He was born November 17, 1872, in Stoughton, his parents being A. W. and Mary E. (White) Mead, who were also natives of Stoughton. The father early took up the business of shoe making and eventually became a shoe manufacturer, spending his entire life in Stoughton, where he passed away in July, 1886, at the age of thirty-nine years. His widow survived him for three decades and passed away in July, 1916, at the age of sixty-seven years.

Albert A. Mead made his initial step in the business world after completing a public school education at Stoughton by entering the dry goods store of George Monk, with whom he remained for six years. He then accepted a position as traveling salesman with the Upham Brothers Company, shoe manufacturers, and contributed in large measure to the development of the trade by his ability as a salesman. Later he was admitted to the firm and the business was incorporated under the name of the Upham Brothers Company, of which Mr. Mead became the president. They control one of the important productive industries of the city, having a well equipped factory and turning out about one thousand pairs of ladies' high priced shoes per day. In addition they also manufacture men's shoes to some extent but largely concentrate their efforts and attention upon the former line and their business has now reached gratifying proportions.

In June, 1902, Mr. Mead was united in marriage to Miss Lily Proctor, of Camden, New Jersey, a daughter of Thomas and Henrietta Proctor, who were natives of England and came to America in early life, settling in New Jersey, where the father engaged in the provision business for many years. He died in 1915 but his wife is still living.

Mr. Mead is a director of the Stoughton Trust Company and has been identified with various interests of public concern in his native

city. He is now serving as one of the trustees of the public library and for two years has been the president of the Stoughton Board of Trade. He is also a member of the Chicatawbut Club and has a genial social nature which has won him many friends. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, which he has supported since age conferred upon him the right of franchise, and his religious faith is that of the Universalist church. Men who meet him recognize him at once as a "square" man, one in whose record there is nothing sinister and nothing to conceal, a man whose life has been guided by strength of purpose and honorable motives and whose success is the direct outcome of perseverance, determination and laudable ambition.

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### CHARLES HENRY FRENCH.

Charles Henry French is a well known manufacturer of Canton who is honored and respected by all, not alone by reason of the success he has achieved but also owing to the straightforward business methods he has always followed. It is true that he entered upon a business already established, but in controlling and enlarging this many a man of less resolute spirit would have failed. His training was thorough and his entire record has been marked by close application, earnest study of every phase of the trade situation and initiative spirit.

Mr. French was born in Canton on the 17th of April, 1848, a son of Charles Howe and Almira K. (Everett) French. He acquired a public school education in his native city, supplemented by study in the Chauncey Hall school of Boston, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated with the class of 1866. He then took up the business of woolen manufacturing as an employe in the factory of French & Ward at Stoughton, Massachusetts, in the year 1867. The firm was at that time composed of his father, Charles Howe French, of Canton, and Henry Ward, of Stoughton. Mr. French of this review bent his energies to the thorough mastery of every phase of the business and thus continually broadened his capacities and powers. In 1889 he succeeded his father and still carries on the business in connection with his brother, Abbott E. French, and Robert Ward, of South Orange, New Jersey, the latter a son of Henry Ward. Thus the business remains in possession of the families of its two founders. Mr. French is well known as a worthy representative of the woolen

manufacturing industry of New England, the house enjoying an unassailable reputation for the integrity of its business methods and the quality of the goods turned out. He is also well known as a representative of financial interests, for he was formerly president and director of the Neponset National Bank of Canton, occupying the dual position from January, 1889, until April, 1916, when the bank was sold and merged into the Canton Trust Company.

On the 13th of September, 1875, in Canton, Massachusetts, Mr. French was united in marriage to Miss Teresa Isabel Noyes, a daughter of Samuel Bradley and Georgiana (Beaumont) Noyes. They have three sons: Charles Howe, Malcom Bradley and Norman Beaumont.

In politics Mr. French is a progressive republican but has never been an aspirant for office. He belongs to Blue Hill Lodge, F. & A. M., of Canton; Mount Zion Chapter, R. A. M., of Stoughton; and Cyprus Commandery, K. T., of Hyde Park. He likewise belongs to the Appalachian Mountain Club of Boston, to the Unitarian Club of Boston and has membership in the First Unitarian Congregational church of Canton. His activities have always been along those lines which call forth the best in the individual and which work for the uplift of the community, and his aid and cooperation can always be counted upon to further any plan or measure for the general welfare.

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### CHARLES B. TUPPER.

Charles B. Tupper, alert and energetic, is actively and successfully engaged in the livery and transfer business in Franklin. He was born in Belgrade, Maine, April 3, 1859, and is a son of George L. and Ruth (Clement) Tupper, who were likewise natives of the Pine Tree state. The father followed the occupation of farming, in Maine, but at the time of the discovery of gold in California he made his way to the Pacific coast, where he remained for three years, searching for the precious metal in the hope of winning a fortune in the mines. On the expiration of that period he returned to Maine and devoted his time and attention thereafter to general agricultural pursuits, his life's labors being ended in death in February, 1884, when he was fifty-six years of age. He had long survived his wife, who passed away in 1862.

Charles B. Tupper was reared and educated in Maine and when



MR. AND MRS. CHARLES B. TIPPER





but thirteen years of age began providing for his own support by work as a farm hand. In 1880 he removed to Woonsocket, Rhode Island, and there spent five years as a teamster. On the expiration of that period, having carefully saved his earnings, he engaged in the livery and teaming business on his own account, continuing there for fifteen years. In 1903 he removed to Franklin, Norfolk county, Massachusetts, where he established a livery and transfer business, which he has continuously conducted to the present time, covering a period of fifteen years. He has been very successful in the conduct of the business and is accorded a liberal patronage.

On the 3d of April, 1885, Mr. Tupper was united in marriage to Miss Minnie Blanchard and to them have been born seven children: Geneva, Florence, Ethel, Raymond, Gertrude, Harold and one child who died at the age of three days.

Mr. Tupper is one of the selectmen of Franklin and has made an excellent record in office. He gives his political allegiance to the republican party, while in religious faith he is a Universalist. Fraternally he is connected with the Ancient Order of United Workmen. His has been an active life and whatever success he has achieved or enjoyed is attributable entirely to his persistent, earnest effort. Starting out to provide for his own support when a little lad of but thirteen years, he has made steady advancement and is today at the head of a profitable and growing business. Aside from conducting his livery and transfer business he is also engaged in buying and selling second-hand motor cars and thus adds materially to his income.

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### FREDERIC WILLIAM KINGMAN.

Frederic William Kingman, a director of the Agricultural School at Walpole and prominently known in educational circles throughout the state, was born July 27, 1868, at Bridgewater, Massachusetts, a son of William B. and Georgianna (Jackson) Kingman. The father was born at West Bridgewater in 1839, and the mother in Halifax, Massachusetts, in 1846. They were married in 1865 and lived in Bridgewater until 1881. From that time until now they have resided at West Bridgewater. The ancestry can be traced back to Mayflower origin, Professor Frederic William Kingman being a direct descendant of John Alden, Samuel Fuller and also Robert Cushman.

In the acquirement of his early education he attended the schools of Bridgewater and West Bridgewater and completed the high school course by graduation on the 6th of April, 1883. He afterward pursued a two years' post graduate course in West Bridgewater high school and a four years' course in the Bridgewater Normal School, from which he was graduated June 26, 1889, and his collegiate work was done at Harvard, where he won the Bachelor of Arts degree June 30, 1910. In early manhood he took up the profession of teaching and was principal of the grammar schools at Hyannis and West Barnstable in 1889-90. From September until November of the latter year he taught at South Easton, Massachusetts, and from 1893 until 1896 he occupied the position of clerk in the roadway department of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway Company, having in the meantime, from 1890 until 1893, engaged in private teaching and study. In 1896 he accepted the superintendency of the schools of Barnstable, Massachusetts, where he remained for nine years or until 1905, and in 1900-01 he taught Latin in the Hyannis Normal School. In the same year he was elected to the presidency of the Barnstable County Teachers' Association. From 1905 until 1908 he was superintendent of schools at Medfield and at Walpole and from the latter year until July 1, 1916, continued as superintendent of the Walpole schools, save that he had a leave of absence from October, 1909, until July, 1910. In the latter year he returned to the superintendency at Walpole and also became teacher of economics and French in the Walpole high school, continuing at the head of instruction in those branches until 1913. On the 1st of March, 1916, he became director of the Norfolk County Agricultural School and is today giving a splendid accounting for his stewardship in this connection. In 1912 and 1913 he was a director of the Walpole Cooperative Bank and in 1917 became vice president of that institution.

On the 30th of June, 1898, Mr. Kingman was united in marriage to Miss Bertha Kent Cushman, a daughter of Representative Alfred W. Cushman. Mrs. Kingman is also of Mayflower origin, being a direct descendant of Robert Cushman and Mary Allerton. She was a teacher in the schools of Hyannis from 1890 until 1898 and was graduated from the Quincy (Mass.) Training School under the superintendency of George I. Aldrich. To Mr. and Mrs. Kingman has been born a daughter, Harriet Cushman, whose birth occurred in Walpole, August 6, 1908.

Mr. and Mrs. Kingman are identified with the Unitarian church and he is identified with several fraternal organizations. In 1903

he was noble grand of Cape Cod Lodge, I. O. O. F., and in 1917 was master of Walpole Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry. He is now overseer of Norfolk Pomona Grange, No. 27. He is also connected with the Fraternal Lodge, F. & A. M., of Hyannis. He is a member of the Honor Society of the College Teachers of Education, of the Massachusetts and New England Association of School Superintendents, the Massachusetts Vocational Agricultural Instructors Association and the Massachusetts Schoolmasters' Club. He has been an advocate of woman suffrage and prohibition from early manhood and of proportional representation. His fellow townsmen have frequently called upon him for public service of an important character. From 1902 until 1905 he served as a trustee of the Hyannis public library and in 1915 was chairman of the advisory committee of the Norfolk County Farm Bureau. He was a trustee of the Norfolk County Agricultural School from November, 1915, until February, 1916, and he was appointed a member and clerk of the local exemption board for Division 34, comprising Dedham, Norfolk, Norwood, Walpole and Westwood. He is a member of the Walpole Town Planning Committee. He stands for the highest ideals in manhood and citizenship and has been a close student of many vital public problems, thus keeping in touch with the trend of modern thought.

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### JOSEPH F. GOLDEN, M. D.

Dr. Joseph F. Golden, a successful physician and surgeon of Stoughton, who for the past four years has been chairman of the board of health, was born in Boston, April 26, 1888, and comes of Irish ancestry. His parents, Michael J. and Annie M. (Owens) Golden, are natives of the Emerald isle, whence they sailed for the new world about 1877. The father took up his abode in Boston, where he and his wife have since made their home.

Dr. Golden acquired his education in parochial schools of his native city and in the Boston College, after which he matriculated in the Tufts College as a medical student, winning his professional degree in 1911. He afterward spent a year and a half in St. Elizabeth's Hospital, after which he located for the private practice of medicine in Stoughton, where he has since remained. His ability is attested by the liberal practice accorded him. He is most conscientious in the performance of all his professional duties and he has

put forth every effort to increase his efficiency by broad reading and study. He thus keeps in touch with the latest scientific thought and research and he has become the loved family physician in many a household of Stoughton.

In June, 1916, Dr. Golden was united in marriage to Miss Stella C. La Garde, a daughter of Archie M. and Annie (McCormick) La Garde, who are natives of Massachusetts, the father having been born in North Easton, while the mother's birth occurred in Stoughton. Mr. La Garde is a railroad engineer and has resided in Stoughton for many years. Dr. and Mrs. Golden have become parents of a daughter, Anna Marie, born February 23, 1917.

Dr. Golden is chairman of the board of health of Stoughton, a position which he has occupied for the past four years. He is also town physician and school physician and along strictly professional lines he has membership with the Massachusetts Medical Society. Fraternally he is connected with the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Order of Foresters, the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the New England Order of Protection. His religious faith is that of the Catholic church. Politically he has always been a democrat and is now serving as chairman of the democratic town central committee. He is a young man of enterprise who exerts considerable influence over public thought and action, standing at all times for those interests which he believes are progressive factors in municipal welfare.

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### MICHAEL J. COSTELLO.

Michael J. Costello, town clerk of Franklin, where he is also engaged in the clothing business, was born in County Mayo, Ireland, May 15, 1871, a son of John and Mary (Mallahy) Costello, who in 1872 crossed the Atlantic to America, settling in Southbridge, Massachusetts, where the father engaged in business. Later he removed to Norfolk county, and here he still makes his home but has now retired from active business life. His wife is also living and they are well known residents of Norfolk county.

Michael J. Costello was the second in order of birth in their family of seven children, three sons and four daughters. In his boyhood days he was a pupil in the schools of Franklin and later he started out to provide for his own support. He followed various lines until eventually he found one that was entirely congenial, when



MICHAEL J. COSTELLO



he became connected with the clothing and men's furnishing goods business. He secured a clerkship in a store of that character and, working his way upward, he thoroughly learned the business. In 1904, having carefully saved his earnings, he was enabled to engage in business on his own account, and as he had gained a wide and favorable acquaintance during the period of his employment in Franklin, he decided to start in business in the town, believing that he might gain many patrons. Gradually his trade developed until he has one of the leading men's furnishing goods stores of the town and is a most popular merchant, being accorded a very liberal patronage. His store is large and is supplied with an extensive and well selected line of goods. His patronage has now reached very gratifying proportions and he is classed with the leading and representative business men of the community.

On the 26th of June, 1912, Mr. Costello was united in marriage to Miss M. Lillian Dowd, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Dowd. In 1915 Mr. Costello was elected town clerk of Franklin and is still filling that position in a most creditable and capable manner. He belongs to the Roman Catholic church and fraternally he is connected with the Knights of Columbus, the Massachusetts Order of Foresters and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. Energetic and far-sighted, he accomplishes what he purposes through his determination and indefatigable energy and step by step he has worked his way upward, enjoying in full measure the confidence and high regard of those with whom he has been associated.

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#### REV. ORA A. PRICE.

Rev. Ora A. Price, pastor of the Congregational church at South Weymouth, was born in Hocking county, Ohio, October 23, 1885, a son of John W. and Mary E. (Shurtz) Price, who are natives of Pennsylvania and of Ohio respectively. The father was but four years of age when his parents removed with their family to central Ohio, making the journey westward with ox team. When he became old enough he turned his attention to farming and successfully followed agricultural pursuits for many years, becoming the owner of three hundred acres of as valuable land as could be found in Ohio. He is now living retired, enjoying the fruits of his former toil, his previous activity supplying him with all of the necessities and many of the comforts of life. He makes his home in Logan, Ohio, and

has reached the advanced age of eighty-seven years. During the period of the Civil war his patriotic spirit was thoroughly aroused and he responded to the country's call for troops, giving three years' active service to the defense of the Union as a member of Company K, Thirty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was wounded on the last day of the war by a sharpshooter and was unconscious for several days but ultimately recovered. On another occasion in a battle he had his clothes perforated by seven bullets but escaped bodily injury.

Ora A. Price was reared and educated at Logan, Ohio, where he completed a high school course. He also attended normal school with the intention of taking up the profession of teaching. Later he entered Marietta College and completed his course there in three years. He taught in the Greek department while attending college and also after completing his individual work as a student. In 1911 he came to the east and assisted in the work of the Congregational church at East Boston, trying to decide whether he wished to enter upon the work of the ministry permanently. He finally decided to do so and became a student in the Andover Theological Seminary, from which he was graduated in 1914, while at the same time he continued his preparation at Harvard, and was also graduated from the theological department of that university in 1914. During the last year of his college course he engaged in preaching. In 1914 he accepted the pastorate of the Congregational church at West Gloucester, where he remained for one year and five months. He then came to South Weymouth, where he has since continued, and as pastor and preacher he is greatly beloved by his people. He has thoroughly organized the work of the church here and his efforts are being attended with excellent results for the moral progress of the community.

On the 31st of December, 1913, Mr. Price was united in marriage to Miss Jennie Whitcraft, a daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Lanning) Whitcraft, who are natives of Ohio. The father was engaged in the pottery business and is still active in that work. Mr. and Mrs. Price have become parents of one child, Richard A., who was born December 31, 1915.

In politics Mr. Price maintains an independent course but is active in all matters of citizenship, standing loyally for what he believes to be the best interests of the community and commonwealth. He is not identified with any lodges but while in college became a member of the Phi Beta Kappa. He worked his way through school, as his father wanted him to become an agriculturist



and declined to furnish the necessary funds for an advanced education. Undeterred by parental objection and feeling that he must have educational training to make anything of himself in life, Mr. Price persevered and year by year advanced and his persistency of purpose led him at length to his graduation from Harvard. He is doing excellent work in his present pastorate, the church showing a healthful and substantial growth.

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### JAMES YOUNG NOYES.

James Young Noyes, a prominent figure in insurance circles and president of the Norfolk and Dedham Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, treasurer of the Norfolk Mutual and a director of the Salem Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was born in Newburyport, Massachusetts, March 7, 1864, and traces his ancestry back to Nicholas Noyes, who was a son of William Noyes and was born at Choulerton, Wiltshire, England, in 1614. He came to America in 1633, when a young man of but seventeen years, and established his home at Newbury, Massachusetts, where he probably spent his remaining days. The parents of James Young Noyes were Joseph Hale and Abby Maria (Young) Noyes, the former a direct descendant through his mother, Mary Hale Parish, of Miles Standish.

In the acquirement of his education James Y. Noyes attended the public schools of Newburyport and of Dedham, being graduated from the Dedham high school with the class of June, 1881. In July of that year he made his initial step in the business world, becoming a clerk with the house of Talbot, Wilmarth & Company, wholesale dealers in woolens at No. 87 Franklin street, Boston. He there remained until the following December and then accepted a clerical position in the office of the Norfolk and Dedham Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, being the only clerk of the corporation at that time. Through the intervening period, as the result of the faithful performance of the duties which have devolved upon him, he has contributed to the continued growth of the business of the company and in 1898 he was elected secretary of both companies, following the demise of Elijah Howe, Jr. In May, 1906, he was elected president of both companies and was also elected the treasurer of the Norfolk Mutual Company at the same time, succeeding the Hon. J. White Belcher, of Randolph, in that position. He is likewise a

director of the Salem Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Salem, Massachusetts, which position he has occupied since 1914.

On the 11th of October, 1894, in Dedham, Massachusetts, Mr. Noyes was united in marriage to Miss Ada Withington Bigelow, a daughter of Henry C. and Maria E. (Fuller) Bigelow. Her people were formerly from that part of Needham now called Wellesley, residing at what is known as Fuller's Corner.

Mr. and Mrs. Noyes are members of the First Congregational church of Dedham, in which he is holding the office of deacon. He is well known in Masonic circles, having been master of Constellation Lodge, F. & A. M., at Dedham from 1898 until 1900. He is also a member of Hyde Park Chapter, R. A. M., and of Cyprus Commandery, K. T., of Hyde Park. His political endorsement is given to the republican party and he was formerly a member of the town committee and also president of the Dedham Republican Club. Since 1915 he has been a trustee of the Dedham public library and he belongs to the Society of Mayflower Descendants. He turns to motoring and outdoor sports for recreation but concentrates the greater part of his efforts and attention upon the important business interests which have largely been developed through his initiative and powers of coordination of business elements and possibilities. He has aided largely in the expansion of the interests of the Norfolk and Dedham Mutual Insurance Companies, building up the organizations until their ramifying interests today cover a broad territory.

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### FRED C. PHILLIPS.

Fred C. Phillips is contributing to that result which is fact making Stoughton a most important manufacturing and commercial center, with its ramifying trade interests reaching out to all sections of the country. He is actively engaged in the manufacture of screw machine products and the spirit of enterprise and initiative which underlies his work in producing most substantial and gratifying results. Mr. Phillips is a native of Massachusetts, his birth having occurred at North Wilbraham on the 16th of July, 1884. He is a son of Moses and Viola (Hall) Phillips, who were natives of Massachusetts. The father was a barber by trade and followed that business throughout his entire life, death terminating his labors in 1887. His wife survived him for about twelve years and died in 1899.

Fred C. Phillips, spending his youthful days in Chicopee, Massachusetts, pursued his education there and then started out in the business world in a machine shop. He learned the trade of tool making and remained in the employ of others for eight years but was ambitious to engage in business of his own account and through that period carefully saved his earnings until his economy and industry had brought him sufficient capital to enable him to start in business for himself. He entered into partnership with Harry Mellor, organizing the Mellor Manufacturing Company of Springfield, Massachusetts. This association was maintained for one year, at the end of which time Mr. Mellor's health failed and he sold his interest in the business to George Brown. Eight months later, however, Mr. Brown's health also failed and Mr. Phillips then took over the management of the business, which he continued to conduct for two and a half years. On the expiration of that period he sold out and removed to Stoughton, Massachusetts, on the 16th of November, 1911. He embarked in business on his own account with four machines at the Norris Pedal Company, with one boy as assistant. He has made a success from the beginning and soon his business outgrew his first factory, which was inadequate for the demands of the trade after three and one-half years. He then built a large modern factory at No. 471 Washington street and employs twenty people. His business extends all over the United States and screw machine products of his manufacture are found in all sections of the country. Mr. Phillips has ever been actuated by a spirit of indomitable enterprise and determination and will brook no obstacles that can be overcome by continued effort and honorable purpose.

On the 18th of July, 1914, Mr. Phillips was united in marriage to Miss Ethel Pratt, a daughter of George W. and Carrie (Pierce) Pratt, the former a native of Chelsea and the latter of West Townsend, Massachusetts. They became early residents of Stoughton, where they still make their home. Her father is serving as assessor, as selectman and overseer of the poor and has taken a very prominent and active part in public affairs. To Mr. and Mrs. Phillips has been born one child, Beatrice H., whose birth occurred January 8, 1916.

The parents are members of the Congregational church and in politics Mr. Phillips maintains an independent course, voting according to the dictates of his judgment with little regard for party ties. Fraternally he is widely known through his connections as a member of the Masons, the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His has been an active and useful life in

which he has accomplished substantial results that place him among the leading business men of his community. He is yet a young man and there is no doubt as to his further advancement, for his salient characteristics are those which make for continued success.

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### CHARLES CALVIN SUMNER.

Death often removes from our midst those whom we can ill afford to lose—men who have made for themselves a creditable position in the life of their community by reason of the fact that they have been progressive in business and in citizenship have stood for those things which are most worth while. Such was the record of Charles Calvin Sumner, of Foxboro, who spent his entire life in the city of his birth. He was born in May, 1837, his parents being Calvin and Hannah (Gay) Sumner, who were also natives of this state. The father was born at Foxboro and the mother's birth occurred in Sharon, Norfolk county. Calvin Sumner devoted his life to farming and to merchandising and continued a resident of Norfolk county until called to his final rest. Charles C. Sumner was reared at the place of his nativity and his educational privileges were those which qualified him for life's practical and responsible duties. When his textbooks were put aside he secured employment in the straw factories of this part of the state and was thus employed for many years. He afterward engaged in the express and stage business for several years and later turned his attention to the grocery trade, which claimed his time and attention for about six years. On the expiration of that period he became connected with the livery business and for a long period conducted a well equipped livery barn. During the last three years of that time he had a partner, Eugene E. Kirby, who is mentioned elsewhere in this work. Mr. Sumner continued to reside in Foxboro throughout his entire life and had reached the age of sixty-eight years when in August, 1905, death summoned him.

It was in August, 1854, that Mr. Sumner was united in marriage to Miss Abbie M. Clark, a daughter of Everett and Chloe (Clark) Clark, the former a native of Wrentham, while the latter was born in Medway, Norfolk county. Mr. Clark was a machinist of Medway and for many years continued his residence there, passing away in 1840, while his wife survived until about 1865 and was seventy-eight years of age at the time of her demise.



CHARLES C. SUMNER



Mr. Sumner was a devoted follower of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and was likewise a member of the Grange. His religious faith was that of the Universalist church, while politically he was an earnest republican, supporting the party from the time that age conferred upon him the right of franchise. He served as one of the selectmen of Foxboro for three years but whether in office or out of it was always loyal to the best interests of the community and stood for public progress and improvement in many ways. His life had no spectacular phases. He devoted his attention to his business interests and did with thoroughness everything that he undertook. He commanded the respect and confidence of his fellowmen by reason of his fidelity to duty and by his loyalty to his professions, and thus it was that when he was called to the home beyond his death was the occasion of deep and widespread regret.

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### CARL BOWEN JOHNSON.

Carl Bowen Johnson, editor of the Sentinel, published at Franklin, Massachusetts, was born in Putnam, Connecticut, September 14, 1859, his parents being Harrison and Annette L. (Bowen) Johnson. The father was the first lawyer of Putnam, Connecticut, and at one time represented his district in the state legislature. He was a stalwart republican, giving unfaltering allegiance to the party to the time of his death, which occurred in 1883. His wife was a direct descendant of Rev. John Williams of Deerfield fame, and was a daughter of Colonel Matthew Bowen, one of the largest land-owners of Woodstock, Connecticut, and a cousin of the late Henry C. Bowen, editor and founder of the New York Independent.

Carl Bowen Johnson attended the grammar and high schools of Putnam, and in early manhood turned his attention to the profession of teaching and also to newspaper reporting. During the period of the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago he was the special representative and writer in the city for the New York Independent. He has been engaged in newspaper work for forty years and for twenty-three years has been identified with the Sentinel, which he is now editing.

On the 11th of November, 1896, in Putnam, Connecticut, Mr. Johnson was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Fisher, a daughter of the late Judge Oscar Fisher, of Woodstock, Connecticut. She is a graduate of Wheaton College of Norton, Massachusetts, was a

special student at Radcliffe College in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and was the former president of the Alden Club, associated with the Federation of Women's Clubs, at Franklin. To Mr. and Mrs. Johnson have been born two sons, Kenneth Bowen and Malcom Fisher.

Fraternally Mr. Johnson is a Mason, having taken the degrees of lodge and chapter. He is a member of the Franklin Business Association, of which he was formerly the vice president, and he is a deacon of the Congregational church. He was also a member of the school committee of Franklin, Massachusetts, for four years and during three years of that time served as its chairman. His political endorsement has always been given to the republican party.

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### JOHN HENRY ASH, M. D.

Dr. John Henry Ash, a well known representative of the medical profession at Quincy, where he has practiced for more than a quarter of a century, was born in North Weymouth, Massachusetts, April 17, 1870, his parents being Richard and Mary (Dolan) Ash, both of whom were natives of Ireland. The father crossed the Atlantic to America in 1852 and about the same time the mother made the voyage to the new world. They were married in Holyoke, Massachusetts, and in 1859 removed to North Weymouth. Mr. Ash was identified with shoe manufacturing and devoted his life to that business in Weymouth.

Dr. Ash of this review, after mastering the branches of learning taught in the public schools of Weymouth, determined upon the practice of medicine as a life work and in preparation for his professional career entered Harvard, completing a course in the medical department with the class of 1892. He then opened an office in Quincy, where he has since remained, and his ability is attested by the liberal practice now accorded him. Professional advancement is proverbially slow and yet it was not long before Dr. Ash had demonstrated his capability of coping with the intricate and involved problems of medicine and surgery. He has ever been most careful in the diagnosis of his cases and his judgment is seldom if ever at fault in foretelling the outcome of disease. Moreover, he has been deeply interested in anything that tends to bring to man the key to the complex mystery which we call life and has remained a



close student of his profession, broad reading and study keeping him informed concerning the latest scientific researches.

On the 21st of November, 1894, Dr. Ash was united in marriage to Miss Alice T. Keohan, of Weymouth, and they have become the parents of seven children. Richard, the eldest, is a graduate of Tufts Medical College of the class of June, 1917. He volunteered and was commissioned first lieutenant in the U. S. A. Medical Reserve Corps and instructor at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. Alice T. is a school teacher. Mary, Kathryne, Helen, Monica and Dorothea are all at home. The religious faith of the family is that of the Catholic church and they are communicants of St. Mary's.

Dr. Ash's attitude upon the temperance question is indicated by the fact that he is a member of St. Mary's Total Abstinence Society. Fraternally he is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Catholic Order of Foresters. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party where national issues are involved, but at local elections he maintains an independent attitude. He has served as a member of the school committee, also as a member of the board of health, is a trustee of the Crane Library and for three years has occupied the position of city physician. Along strictly professional lines he has connection with the Norfolk South Medical Society, of which he is the president, the Massachusetts Medical Association and the American Medical Association. He maintains his residence in Quincy with a summer home at Houghs Neck, Massachusetts. With the interests of his city and its public welfare he has long been closely identified, his aid and influence being on the side of progress and improvement, of advancement and upbuilding. He has ever held to the highest standards in his profession, recognizing fully the obligations and responsibilities that devolve upon the physician and, working his way upward step by step, he occupies a prominent place among the leading physicians and surgeons of his section of the state.

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#### CHARLES H. LAWRENCE.

Charles H. Lawrence, who is engaged in the restaurant business in Franklin, where his birth occurred October 23, 1879, is a son of Charles A. and Susan M. (King) Lawrence, who were also natives of Franklin. The father is a painter and has also worked in the

straw shops but has given the greater part of his time and attention to the painting trade. He is now sixty-eight years of age. In 1917 he was called upon to mourn the loss of his wife, who passed away on the 1st of October at the age of sixty-three years, after an illness of two weeks.

Charles H. Lawrence was reared in Franklin and is indebted to its school system for the educational privileges which he enjoyed. After his textbooks were put aside he began work at the painter's trade and later followed several occupations, but in May, 1903, embarked in the restaurant business, in which he has since continued. He conducts a good establishment of this character and is liberally patronized. He caters to the best class of trade and has won a reputation for serving excellent meals.

In October, 1903, Mr. Lawrence was united in marriage to Miss Eva B. Everett, a daughter of Oliver and Delia Everett, who were early residents of Wrentham, Massachusetts. Her father died in 1900, while her mother survived until 1910. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence have become the parents of one child, Marion Everett, who was born September 5, 1904.

Mr. Lawrence is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and also of the Improved Order of Red Men. He likewise has membership with the Universalist church and with the Franklin Business Men's Association. Politically he is a republican but not an office seeker, preferring to concentrate his time and efforts upon his business affairs, which are being carefully and successfully conducted and are bringing to him a substantial measure of success. He is well known in Franklin, where his entire life has been passed, and he now owns a nice residence here in addition to his business.

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### ERNEST M. FULLERTON.

Agriculture has always been regarded as the initial movement in the development of any region, and while the earlier settlers of New England turned their attention to the tilling of the soil, many generations have lived and flourished since agriculture was the chief occupation of the people of Massachusetts. With the passing years they have more and more largely concentrated their efforts upon manufacturing and now the products of the factories of this state are sent not only into every section of the country but into all foreign lands. In the last few years Stoughton has undergone a marked

transformation through the establishment of many productive industries in her midst. Well known in manufacturing circles of Stoughton is Ernest M. Fullerton, the proprietor of the business which is conducted under the style of F. E. Benton & Company, manufacturers of shoe last findings at No. 26 Brock street.

He was born in North Bridgewater, now Brockton, Massachusetts, September 10, 1872, a son of Daniel F. and Phoebe (Turner) Fullerton, who were also natives of the old Bay state, the former having been born at North Bridgewater and the latter at Stoughton. The father engaged in the shoe stitching business and took contract work from all the different factories, continuing in that line of activity throughout his entire life. He was a veteran of the Civil war, serving for three years as a member of Company D, Seventeenth Regiment of Maine Infantry. He was a musician with that regiment and remained at the front throughout almost the entire period of the war. His death occurred April 25, 1881.

Ernest M. Fullerton spent his youthful days in Bridgewater and Stoughton and mastered the branches of learning taught in the public schools of the two cities. He was nine years of age when he came to Stoughton with his mother following the father's death. He early started upon his business career, entering the employ of F. E. Benton, for whom he worked in different capacities, promotions coming to him as he proved his capability of mastering the tasks that had already been assigned to him. He finally went upon the road as a traveling salesman for Mr. Benton and later he became connected with the Phinney Counter Company of Stoughton, with which he continued for a year. He then returned to the service of Mr. Benton, with whom he continued until the death of the latter in January, 1917. At that time Mr. Fullerton and his mother bought out the business with which he had so long been associated and with which he was familiar in every detail. He has since conducted the business and now employs eighteen people. His trade is substantial and is constantly growing, the output of his factory being sold all over the United States and in many foreign countries. This is the largest concern of the kind in the United States, making a full line of shoe last findings. The house sustains an unassailable reputation for the integrity of its business methods and in all of his trade relations Mr. Fullerton is just with creditor and with debtor alike.

On the 1st of August, 1906, Mr. Fullerton was married to Miss Sarah E. Johnson, a daughter of Hiram and Mary A. (Shaw) Johnson, who were natives of England and came to America in early life, at which time they took up their abode in Ludlow, Vermont.

Later they removed to Franklin, Massachusetts, and subsequently established their home in Stoughton, where Mr. Johnson was employed as overseer in the woolen mills. For twenty years he was connected with the firm of French & Ward. His wife died in 1907 and he afterward returned to Vermont, where he passed away in 1910. To Mr. and Mrs. Fullerton have been born three children: Donald F., who was born January 13, 1909; Bernice M., born January 28, 1910; and Laurence E., born April 4, 1914.

The parents are members of the Universalist church and Mr. Fullerton has membership with the Sons of Veterans. His political endorsement has always been given to the republican party and he was at one time a member of the republican town committee. He is interested in the success of his party and does all in his power to secure the adoption of its principles yet he has never been a politician in the sense of office seeking. On the contrary he has preferred to give his undivided time to his business affairs and his thorough capability and reliability were attested by his long connection with the house of which he is now the head. He ever enjoyed the full confidence of Mr. Benton and was legitimately the successor to the business, which he had so largely aided in building up.

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### REV. JAMES F. STANTON.

Rev. James F. Stanton, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Catholic church at Stoughton, was born in Grafton, Massachusetts, February 13, 1867, and is a son of Richard and Ann (Horrigan) Stanton, who were natives of Ireland. The father came to America in 1854 and settled at Newton, Massachusetts, where he was employed as an engineer for several years. In 1869 he removed to Needham, Norfolk county, where he turned his attention to farming and throughout his remaining days gave his time and efforts to agricultural pursuits. He passed away in May, 1892, at the age of sixty-one years, while his wife long survived him and departed this life in July, 1913.

Rev. Stanton was largely reared in Needham and through the period of his early boyhood was a pupil in the public schools there. He was graduated from the high school with the class of 1883 and afterward entered Boston College, being numbered among its alumni of 1887. He next entered St. John's Seminary at Brighton, Massachusetts, where he pursued his theological course and having

thus qualified for holy orders was ordained to the priesthood on the 20th of May, 1892. He was then stationed at Roxbury, Massachusetts, as pastor of St. Joseph's church, continuing there until 1893, when he was assigned to duty at Norwood, Massachusetts, in charge of St. Catherine's parish. He continued at Norwood until November, 1907, when he came to Stoughton, where he has since had charge of the Immaculate Conception church, with Rev. P. J. Scanlon as his assistant. The church is located at the corner of School and Canton streets, with a parsonage at No. 177 School street. There is also a parochial school in connection with the church on Canton street and a gymnasium on Atherton street.

Mass was said in Stoughton as early as 1840, but the Catholic residents within the township were too few in number to support a church or a resident priest. The more devout members of the flock, however, frequently went as far as Quincy to hear mass on Sunday morning. When Father Rodden of Quincy visited Stoughton in 1848 he could not find more than fourteen Catholics in the locality. The diocesan records state that in 1849 Father Fitzsimmons celebrated mass in an old historic house owned by Robert Porter and known as the Austin house. Father Flatley and Father Callahan visited Stoughton in the early '50s. Between the years 1850 and 1860 the number of Catholics in Stoughton rapidly increased and Father Flatley made preparations for the building of a church. He bought a half acre of land at the corner of Canton and School streets and erected a neat little wooden church of Roman design, which was ready for occupancy in November, 1859. Right Reverend Bishop Fitzpatrick officiated at the dedicatory service and Rev. John J. Williams preached the sermon. It was not until 1861 that mass was held regularly in Stoughton and not until 1872 that the first resident pastor took up his abode in the town. This was Father Norris, who devoted the latter part of life to the spiritual care of the orphans in the House of the Angel Guardian at Roxbury, Massachusetts. In 1878 Rev. James M. Kieley succeeded him as pastor in Stoughton and for thirty years continued his work. He was a stanch advocate of the temperance movement and realized what great harm the liquor traffic was working to the young men of the town. With whole-souled energy he threw his influence against the sale of liquor and the influential citizens say that it was he who kept the town free from saloons for many years. When he was at length relieved of his labors in Stoughton he was succeeded by the Rev. James F. Stanton, who is now in charge of the Immaculate Conception church. The Catholic population of Stoughton now numbers

about twenty-five hundred and under the guidance of Father Stanton the work of the church is being carried steadily forward, being well organized in every department.

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### HON. JOSEPH L. WHITON.

Hon. Joseph L. Whiton, mayor of Quincy, is giving to the city a businesslike and progressive administration that has brought about many needed reforms and introduced many valuable improvements. His record stands in contradistinction to the old adage that a prophet is never without honor save in his own country, for Mr. Whiton has been called to the highest position within the gift of his fellow townsmen in his native city, his birth having occurred in Quincy, February 28, 1873. His parents were Joseph L. and Mary A. (Litchfield) Whiton. The father was born in Quincy in 1844 and the mother is a native of Boston. The Whiton family in its ancestral line can be traced back to the period of early settlement in Plymouth, while the Litchfield family was established in Boston in 1630. Isaiah G. Whiton, the maternal grandfather, was born in Hingham, Massachusetts, and took up his abode in Quincy in the early '30s. He established the first shoe factory in the city, conducting business under the firm style of Whiton & Lincoln. He was also a sail maker and he was a stockholder in one of the first whaling vessels that sailed from Quincy. Throughout all the intervening years the Whiton family have taken active part in the work of general progress and improvement. The father died in October, 1911, but the mother is still living.

Joseph L. Whiton acquired a public school education, supplemented by study in the Adams Academy, and, following in the footsteps of his father and grandfather, turned his attention to shoe manufacturing as an employe in a factory in his native city. He afterward became identified with the wholesale shoe business in Boston as a traveling salesman and during the past ten years he has specialized in rubber footwear. He is widely known through business connections and in all that he undertakes in that way displays an alert and progressive spirit productive of excellent results.

Mr. Whiton is also widely known as the efficient mayor of his native city, having been elected to the office on the 19th of December, 1916, by a majority of one hundred and sixty-nine, so that he is now serving for the second year of his term. He was elected under Plan



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A. This was not his first official position, however, for he was a member of the city council for ten years and was president of the council for five years. During his administration as mayor he has put the city upon a business basis, closely watching every detail that has to do with the conduct of public interests and at the same time giving due importance to those points which are most effective in advancing general welfare. He has introduced motor equipment into the fire fighting service and has spent over one hundred thousand dollars in street repair work. He has also installed a new fire alarm system and he built the most modern fire alarm building in the United States. Various other evidences of his public spirit could be cited as tangible proof of his marked devotion to the general good. He was instrumental in securing four hundred thousand dollars from the government to widen Washington street and he was also the moving spirit in securing the erection of five hundred single houses for employes at the great new Victory plant of the Fore River Shipbuilding Company, a work for which he deserves much praise. He has closely studied the housing question and put forth every effort to give employes comfortable and sanitary homes when the new plant was erected and brought many people to the city.

On the 3d of October, 1895, Mr. Whiton was married to Miss Edith Woodbury, of Francestown, New Hampshire, and they now have three children, Mary, Minnie Norton and Edith Louise, all at home. Fraternally Mr. Whiton is a Mason, belonging to Rural Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; to St. Stephen's Chapter, R. A. M.; and to Quincy Commandery, K. T. He is likewise a member of the Granite City Club, of the Yacht Club and is president of the G. A. R. Aid Association. He is likewise an honorary member of the Fore River Club. He is a Unitarian in religious faith, having membership in the First Parish church. In politics he is an independent republican, usually voting with the party yet not considering himself bound by party ties, and at all times he places the general welfare before partisanship and the interests of the city before personal aggrandizement. One of the old historic homes on Quincy Point is owned by the family and this house was built more than one hundred and twenty years ago and was the first erected on Quincy Point below the First Parish church. This estate once was the original Quincy Point. Upon this place is an old dike which is supposed to have been used as a means of fortification against the Indians. In 1904 Mayor Whiton built a fine residence, which he now occupies and which is located at 29 Whiting Road. Mr. Whiton has always been a resident of Quincy and it is his object as its chief executive officer

to keep the city in touch with the most advanced ideas and methods of city building, planning and improvement. His labors have been directly beneficial and his purposes have been accomplished with little opposition, for the value of the methods which he has instituted and the plans which he has advanced have been at once recognized.

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### CHARLES C. HANDY.

Charles C. Handy, who for twenty years has devoted his time and attention to the banking business, has through the steps of an orderly progression reached the responsible position which he now occupies as treasurer of the East Weymouth Savings Bank. A native son of Massachusetts, he was born in the historic old city of Salem on the 5th of October, 1876, his parents being Kelley and Lucy Ella (Swan) Handy, the former a native of Yarmouth county, Nova Scotia, while the latter was born in Salem. Kelley Handy arrived in Salem in the late '60s. He was a carpenter and builder by trade and successfully followed that pursuit, being closely associated with building operations in Salem throughout his remaining days. His death occurred in November, 1910, when he had reached the age of sixty-four years, but his wife had long since passed away, having been called to her final rest in 1885.

Charles C. Handy spent his youthful days in his father's home in Salem and the public school system of the city afforded him his educational opportunities. When his textbooks were put aside he began earning his living as a bookkeeper and was employed in various ways during the succeeding three years. In 1897 he made his initial step in connection with the banking business, entering the Salem Five Cent Savings Bank as a messenger and there remaining until July, 1898, when he entered the National Webster Bank of Boston as messenger. In that institution he worked his way up to the position of receiving teller and remained with the bank until July, 1910, when he was appointed a bank examiner for the state of Massachusetts by the state bank commissioner. He continued to occupy that position until May, 1917, when he resigned and removed to East Weymouth to accept the position of treasurer of the East Weymouth Savings Bank, which was organized in 1872 and is one of the old and substantial financial institutions of this part of the state, having now been in successful existence for more than forty-five years. Their deposits at the present time amount to one

million, six hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars. The president of the bank is Fred L. Alden, a shoe manufacturer. Mr. Handy as treasurer is active in the management of the bank and the safe conservative policy followed by the institution has always awakened public confidence.

On the 19th of June, 1907, Mr. Handy was married to Miss Anna F. Bird, a daughter of Charles and Anne (Howe) Bird, who were natives of New Hampshire. The father became a driver and sea captain at East Boston and he resided in Boston until his death. His wife passed away in 1908. Mr. and Mrs. Handy have two children: Robert C., born in March, 1908; and Richard H., born in April, 1916. By a former marriage Mrs. Handy had one son, Lewis B. White, who was born in 1905.

Mr. Handy is the vice president of the Men's Club of East Weymouth, composed of business men of the town, and is also identified with the Now and Then Association of Salem, also drawing its membership from the business men of that city. He is likewise a member of the Bank Officers' Association of Boston and of the Savings Bank Officers' Club of Massachusetts. Mr. Handy is also identified with the <sup>+</sup> Masons at Salem, which was started in 1792 and is one of the oldest lodges of the state. His religious belief is that of the Universalist church. Politically he is a republican and served on the city council of Salem from 1903 until 1908. He has always been interested in community affairs but has not been active as an office seeker, yet cooperates heartily in all well defined plans for the upbuilding of city or state.

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### HARRY J. GEB.

Harry J. Geb, who is engaged in dealing in motorcycles and bicycles and also handles auto tires and accessories, was born in Racine, Wisconsin, June 20, 1884, but from the age of two years has lived in Franklin, his parents being Jacob and Margaret (Huff) Geb, the former born in Sioux City, Iowa, while the latter was a native of Reed City, Michigan. In early life the father went to Racine, Wisconsin, where he worked in the mills for a number of years, and then made his way to the Atlantic coast, settling at Hampden, Massachusetts, where he worked in the carding room in a woolen mill. In 1886 he came to Franklin and secured a position in the Ray Woolen Mills, now the American Woolen Mills. He was

there employed for nearly twenty years, after which he engaged in business on his own account as a partner of Fred P. Chapman. This was about the year 1902. They began the manufacture of yarn under the firm style of the Franklin Yarn Company and conducted the business successfully until their plant was destroyed by fire. They then erected a modern cement building and have since carried on the business, which now furnishes employment to one hundred and twenty-five workmen. They operate both day and night forces and the business has reached very gratifying proportions.

Harry J. Geb was reared in Franklin and the public schools accorded him his early educational privileges, while later he attended the Lowell Textile School at Lowell, Massachusetts. There he learned the business of designing woolen goods and after his course was completed he accepted a position in the Saranac Mills at Blackstone, Massachusetts, as assistant designer. He continued in that position for four years and then returned to Franklin, accepting the position of designer in the Hayward Woolen Mills. In this capacity he has since continued and at the present time he is also engaged in dealing in motorcycles, bicycles, automobile tires and accessories, in which connection he has built up a trade of substantial and gratifying proportions.

On the 16th of September, 1913, Mr. Geb was united in marriage to Miss Sara Costello, a daughter of John and Mary Costello. Mr. and Mrs. Geb are Catholics in religious faith and he is identified with the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Order of Foresters. His military connection is that of corporal of Company G of the Thirteenth Regiment of the Massachusetts State Guard. His political faith is that of the republican party and he has always given stalwart support to its principles. He has led an active and useful life and his ability has brought him into prominent industrial and commercial relations in Franklin.

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#### KARLE H. GRANGER, M. D.

Dr. Karle H. Granger, who for a quarter of a century has been engaged in medical practice in South Weymouth, Massachusetts, brings to bear upon the investigations and solutions of professional problems a highly trained intellect and skill in scientific thinking. He was born January 6, 1868, in Barnard, Windsor county, Vermont, a son of Nathan H. and Rose M. (Frazer) Granger. The father

was born February 16, 1844, in Randolph, Vermont, and passed away at the early age of thirty-four years on June 16, 1878, being long survived by his widow, who died October 5, 1917. Nathan H. Granger was a successful traveling salesman during his whole business career and was very prominent in Masonic circles. In 1868 he removed to Ames, Iowa, where he continued to make his residence during the remainder of his life, his death occurring at Algona, Iowa.

Karle H. Granger was reared in Ames, Iowa, where he attended school in the pursuit of his education, completing his earlier training by a course in the high school, from which he was graduated in 1885. He then entered Ames College, from which he received his degree in 1888, and in 1889 returned to Vermont and matriculated in the medical department of Dartmouth College, graduating in 1892. In the following year he located in South Weymouth and his present extensive practice proves that he made no mistake in deciding upon this city as his field of labor. He has continued as a physician and surgeon and has a very extensive practice, his patients thoroughly appreciating his splendid knowledge, his effective methods and his pleasant, confidence-inspiring ways. His earnest efforts along professional lines have borne good fruit and are not only recognized by the public but by his colleagues, who have high regard for him because he most rigidly adheres to the ethics and standards of the profession.

On the 13th of February, 1894, Dr. Granger was married to Miss Mary C. Briggs, of Randolph, Massachusetts, a daughter of H. M. and Anna M. (Panting) Briggs. The father was born in Randolph, the mother's native place being Prince Edward Island. During his entire active career Mr. Briggs has followed mercantile pursuits and is now so engaged, residing in Dorchester. Mrs. Briggs is also living. Dr. and Mrs. Granger have two children: Harry Inwood, born April 24, 1897; and Frederick Gordon, born July 22, 1899.

Dr. Granger has always shown a deep interest in the progress and development of South Weymouth, particularly along educational lines and has served as physician for the town schools of the fourth ward and as town physician. He is a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society and through this connection keeps in contact with the latest medical proceedings and discoveries which have been made of late years, thereby improving upon the valuable experience which he gained in former years while in attendance at Boston hospitals. Moreover, Dr. Granger was an educator for a number

of years, this fact being largely responsible for the interest which he yet retains in the betterment of the schools. For four years he was a teacher in the public schools of Iowa and for three years acted in the same capacity in the state of Massachusetts before entering upon his medical career. Fraternally Dr. Granger is prominent, taking a deep interest in Masonic work, belonging to Pilgrim Lodge of Harwich, Massachusetts. He also is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belonging to the lodge of South Weymouth and the encampment of East Weymouth. The brotherly principles underlying these organizations he practices in his everyday life and uses them as his guide in his conduct toward his fellow-men. Along religious lines he affiliates with the Universalist church. Dr. and Mrs. Granger reside in a comfortable home at No. 129 Pleasant street and there extend hospitality to many friends, who appreciate them for their sterling qualities of character, their sincerity, their geniality and the warm-hearted, friendly understanding which they extend to all who desire their friendship. Mrs. Granger is very prominent in the Rebekah branch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, having served as state president of the assembly in 1916 and 1917.

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### JOHN G. PHINNEY.

No history of the business development of Stoughton would be complete without extended reference to John G. Phinney, now deceased, who during the course of an active business life was prominently connected with the manufacturing interests of Stoughton and also of Boston. His plans were always well defined and carefully executed and his business principles were those which would bear the closest investigation and scrutiny. He thus made for himself an honored position in commercial circles and enjoyed in unqualified measure the trust and confidence of those who knew him. He was born in Stoughton on the 17th of August, 1843, a son of Sylvanus C. and Mary (Russell) Phinney. The father was a native of Maine and established his home in Stoughton at an early day. There he engaged in the manufacture of boot counters, soles and heels and devoted his entire life to that undertaking, his life's labors being terminated in death in 1871. His wife has also passed away.

Reared at the family home in Stoughton, John G. Phinney be-

came connected with the manufacturing interests of his father, under the style of S. C. & J. G. Phinney, and throughout his entire career he concentrated his efforts along that line. His activity constituted an important element in the growth of the trade and he remained in the business until called to his final rest in February, 1888. Following his death the business was incorporated under the name of the J. G. Phinney Counter Company and so continued for about twenty years, when the business was closed out. It had long remained one of the foremost manufacturing concerns of the city, constituting an important element in the continued growth of Stoughton's trade relations. Mr. Phinney also operated a leather store on Summer street in Boston and was likewise engaged in the manufacture of ~~lasts~~ as a member of the firm of Walker & Phinney. He was a man of resolute will who carried forward to successful completion whatever he undertook. He recognized that when one avenue of opportunity seemed closed he could carve out other paths whereby to reach the desired goal and his perseverance and energy enabled him to overcome all difficulties which he encountered.

It was in July, 1868, that Mr. Phinney was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Lunn, who was born in South Easton, Massachusetts, in July, 1846, a daughter of Robert and Sarah (Newcomb) Lunn, the former a native of England and the latter of Maine. The father was brought to the new world in infancy, the parents starting from England with their family, but one died while en route. Not long afterward Mr. Lunn was left an orphan and was adopted by the ship's captain, who resided at Easton, Massachusetts. After attaining man's estate he became a thread manufacturer of South Easton, where he conducted that business for several years, and later he turned his attention to the manufacture of shoes, continuing his residence in South Easton throughout his remaining days. Death called him in 1870 and his wife survived until 1887. To Mr. and Mrs. Phinney were born two children: John W., at home; and Frank F., who resides in Warren, Massachusetts, where he is engaged in the manufacture of the Warren steam pumps.

Mr. Phinney was a worthy exemplar of the Masonic fraternity. He belonged to the Congregational church and his political allegiance was given to the republican party, which found in him a stalwart supporter. He was interested in everything that pertained to the welfare and progress of his community and gave active support to many movements that were of great benefit to Stoughton. He erected a large and handsome residence at No. 81 Summer street, which is occupied by his widow. The name of Phinney has long

been an honored one in Stoughton and the memory of Mr. Phinney is yet cherished and revered by those who knew him while he was still an active factor in the world's work.

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### LUCIUS W. DANIELS.

The history of agricultural development in Norfolk county would be incomplete and unsatisfactory were there failure to make reference of Lucius W. Daniels, who has long followed farming on Pond street in Franklin. He is now in the seventh-ninth year of his age, his birth having occurred on the 5th of April, 1839, at the place where he still resides, his parents being Fisher and Ann (Eames) Daniels. The latter was a direct descendant of Thomas Eames, who was the first man shot by the Indians at Boggsto Brook, in East Medway, now Millis. He had come to the new world on the Mayflower and was one of that number of men who constituted the toll that civilization always seems to claim when settlement is extended into new territory. The immigrant ancestor of the Daniels family was Joseph Daniels, who first appeared in Medfield among the subscribers "towards building a new college at Cambridge" in 1678. His son, Joseph Daniels, Jr., married Bethiah ———— and had six children, Samuel, Joseph, David, Hannah, Ezra and Sarah.

David Daniels was born in 1699 and to him and his wife Magdalen were born several children. The father died November 19, 1781, when eighty-two years of age, and the mother passed away October 13, 1780. Their son, Seth Daniels, was born October 30, 1737, and married Unite, daughter of Deacon Daniel and Elizabeth Thurston, of Franklin. He occupied the farm and house that afterward came into possession of his grandson, Fisher Daniels. He died November 16, 1785, when almost forty-eight years of age, and his wife passed away in October, 1821, at the advanced age of about seventy-three years. They were the parents of four children: Julia, who died at the age of sixteen; Joseph, who was born October 14, 1771; Susanna, who became the wife of Job Carpenter and died in early life; and Julia, who was the second wife of Job Carpenter and removed to Sutton.

Joseph Daniels of that family married Susan Fisher, a daughter of Joseph and Susan Fisher, on the 4th of September, 1793. He occupied the old homestead and also conducted a small store. Here he





MR. AND MRS. LUCIUS W. DANIELS



passed away July 19, 1828, and his wife died on the 17th of February of the following year. They had a family of thirteen children. Seth, born September 14, 1792, married Huldah Harris and removed to Oxford. He was a deacon of the Congregational church and passed away February 22, 1878. Fisher, born August 2, 1796, married Eunice Adams and after her death married Ann Eames, of Hopkinton. He followed school-teaching through the winter months for many years and in the summer devoted his attention to farming. His death occurred March 10, 1874. Julia Maria Daniels, the next of the family, was born August 17, 1800, and became the wife of Rev. J. R. Cushing. Albert Early, born September 25, 1802, married Olive Hills, a daughter of Joseph and Deborah Hills. He became an extensive straw board manufacturer and was prominent in public affairs, filling many offices. Carolina Melita, born October 24, 1804, became the wife of Fisher A. Kingsbury and died December 31, 1854. Willis George, born October 22, 1806, was the next of the family. Susan Fisher, born October 6, 1808, became the wife of Albert Cleveland and died February 6, 1834. Hiram Abiff, born October 30, 1810, removed to Amoskeag, New Hampshire. Martha Carpenter, born March 9, 1813, became the wife of John W. Mason, of Boston and died June 3, 1845. Darwin Joseph, born January 12, 1815, became mayor of Manchester, New Hampshire, and died August 15, 1865. Harriet Louisa, born May 25, 1817, became the wife of Rev. M. Blake, D. D. Charles Adams, born August 30, 1820, makes his home in Milford, New Hampshire.

Lucius W. Daniels pursued his education in the high school of Franklin and afterward in the New Hampton Academy of New Hampshire. Reared to the occupation of farming, he early became familiar with the best methods of tilling the soil and caring for the crops and throughout his entire life has devoted his energies to that line of work. He has also engaged in lumbering and his has been an active and useful life, in which he has accomplished substantial results. Not all days in his career have been equally bright, for at times trouble has come to him. On the 15th of August, 1886, his barns were destroyed by fire, causing a loss of about ten thousand dollars. At that time he had much hay burned and four horses and thirteen cows were also victims of the fire. On the whole, however, Mr. Daniels has prospered in his undertakings owing to his indefatigable energy, his close application and his persistency of purpose.

On the 3d of September, 1861, occurred the marriage of Mr. Daniels and Miss Sarah Helen Warfield, a daughter of Eben Warfield, at Franklin. They have become the parents of four children.

Mary L., who was a missionary and was sent out by the American Board of Missions to Harpoot, Turkey, where she labored for twenty-five years, passed through the Armenian massacre of 1895 but escaped with just one suit of clothing. The others of the family are Hattie A., Ernest D. and Edith N. The son, Ernest D., married Gertrude Goodwin, of Boston.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Congregational church, to which they have loyally adhered, Mr. Daniels doing everything in his power to promote the growth of the church and extend its influence. He is a member of the Grange and has held most of its offices. In politics he is a republican and for two years served as selectman and for a similar period was assessor. He was likewise trustee of the town library and he has ever been interested in all that pertains to the welfare and progress of his community, giving active support to many plans that have been of great benefit in the upbuilding and development of his section of the county.

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#### HENRY ELLIS RUGGLES.

Henry Ellis Ruggles, of Franklin, for thirty years a member of the Massachusetts bar and since 1898 special justice of the district court of western Norfolk, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, July 25, 1858, a son of Calvin H. and Maria C. (Streeter) Ruggles and a descendant of George Ruggles, who settled in Boston in 1632. His ancestors were especially interested in abolition or the anti-slavery movement. George Ruggles, of Boston, was one of the first settlers of that city and his descendants in Boston and Roxbury were very active in town affairs. The name of Ruggles is often found as that of one of the selectmen and Ruggles street is named in honor of the family.

Henry Ellis Ruggles, pursuing his education, attended the Upton high school and afterward entered the Phillips Exeter Academy of Exeter, New Hampshire, from which he was graduated in 1877. He next attended the Williston Seminary of Easthampton, Massachusetts, and in early manhood he took up the profession of teaching, which he followed in the public schools of Uxbridge and of Franklin, Massachusetts. For a time he was also employed in the manufacture of straw hats, but desiring to become a member of the bar, pursued his reading with that end in view and in January, 1888,

was admitted to practice at the Massachusetts bar. He has since been engaged in the general practice of law and is perhaps best known as a successful jury lawyer. In 1898 he received the appointment for life to the position of special justice of the district court of western Norfolk. His reasoning is strong and logical, his arguments clear and convincing and he seldom fails to win the verdict desired. Aside from his connection with the practice of law he has been a trustee of the Wildey Savings Bank of Boston, Massachusetts, since 1894, and he is a director of a number of private corporations.

Mr. Ruggles has been married twice. He first wedded Carrie E. Douglass, of Lee, Maine, their marriage being celebrated in Boston, September 8, 1882. She died in Franklin, March 11, 1894, and on the 27th of October, 1896, in Woburn, Massachusetts, Mr. Ruggles married L. Maud Weston, a daughter of Israel A. and Elizabeth A. (Davis) Weston, whose ancestors were early settlers of New Hampshire. Of the second marriage there has been born a son, Stanley Weston, whose birth occurred in Franklin, October 16, 1898.

Mr. Ruggles is prominently known in fraternal circles. He has membership with the Masons, the Odd Fellows and the Patrons of Husbandry. He has been especially active in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and was grand master of the grand lodge of Massachusetts in 1894 and grand patriarch of the grand encampment, I. O. O. F., of Massachusetts in 1911. He was also representative from Massachusetts to the sovereign grand lodge in 1900, 1906, 1912, 1916 and 1917 and is the present representative. He is a director of the Odd Fellows Hall Association of Boston, is vice president of the Odd Fellows Home of Massachusetts and has been one of its trustees since 1895. He is also chairman of its committee of investments and finance. Politically Mr. Ruggles gave his support to the republican party until 1888. He then supported the democratic party until 1896, when he returned to the republican ranks, where he has since been found. In 1892 he represented his district in the Massachusetts house of representatives and was town clerk of Franklin from 1890 until 1892, inclusive. In 1902 he was made a member of the board of selectmen of Franklin and occupied that position for two years. He belongs to the Republican Clubs of Norfolk county and of Massachusetts, also to the Norfolk County Bar Association, the Massachusetts State Bar Association and the Franklin Business Association, having been president of the last named in 1905. Among his strictly personal characteristics are his fondness for deep sea sailing and for flowers. His religious faith is that of the Universalist church. His interests are broad and varied and he has had

much to do with shaping public thought and action in his community and has left the impress of his individuality and ability for good upon many lines of public progress.

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### EUGENE E. KIRBY.

Eugene E. Kirby, engaged in the conduct of a livery business in Foxboro, where he was born December 25, 1867, is a son of Jeremiah and Mary (McFarland) Kirby, who were natives of Ireland. The father was born in County Kerry, but in early life bade adieu to the Emerald isle and crossed the Atlantic to the new world, establishing his home at Millville, Rhode Island, where he resided for a year and a half. He then came to Foxboro, where he engaged in railroad work throughout the remainder of his life. He passed away on the 3d of May, 1915, having for a decade survived his wife, who died in March, 1905.

Spending his youthful days under the parental roof, Eugene E. Kirby pursued his education in the schools of Foxboro and then secured employment in connection with the livery business, spending some time in that way for three different men. In September, 1905, he purchased his present business, which he has since conducted. His barn is called the Cohasset Stable. He also conducted a livery business at Oak Bluffs, on Martha's Vineyard island, for three years. He then bought the barn there and continued to operate it until 1915, when he sold the business and turned his attention to the automobile business at that place, where he now operates a large garage and also conducts an auto livery. He likewise is proprietor of the only livery in Foxboro, and also the only auto livery and he enjoys an extensive patronage. He closely studies the needs and wishes of his patrons and his business is steadily growing by reason of the fact that he puts forth every effort to please his customers and to give them the service required.

In November, 1888, Mr. Kirby was united in marriage to Miss Ann C. Barton, a daughter of Andrew and Julia Barton, who were natives of Ireland. They came to America in early life and established their home in East Foxboro, where the father worked on the railroad section for a number of years. His remaining days were passed in Foxboro and both he and his wife have now departed this life. Mr. and Mrs. Kirby became the parents of three children: Mildred, who is the widow of William Engley and resides with her

father; Eugene E., who is twenty seven years of age and is in his father's employ; and Sumner Barton, seventeen years of age, now a high school pupil. Mrs. Engley has one child, Clair, nine years of age.

Mr. Kirby belongs to several fraternal organizations, having membership with the Ancient Order of United Workmen, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Loyal Order of Moose as well as with the Knights of Columbus. His religious faith is that of the Catholic church, to which he loyally adheres. Politically he is a democrat and gives unfaltering support to the party. He belongs to the Oak Bluffs Rod and Gun Club, an association that indicates something of the nature of his interests and the way in which he spends his time when leisure permits. He has made a creditable record in business by his close application and persistency of purpose and his success is the direct outcome of energy and indefatigable industry.

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### JAMES MEADE.

James Meade is the proprietor of one of the important manufacturing enterprises of Stoughton, conducted under the name of The Meade Rubber Company. The establishment is devoted to the rubberizing of fabrics and hospital sheetings and to the manufacture of rubber heels and soles. The business was established in 1916 and although it is one of the newer productive industries of the city has already made for itself a substantial position in business circles. Mr. Meade came to the head of this concern with long experience gained in other connections. He was born in Stoughton on the 3d of March, 1868, and is a son of Richard and Mary (Shields) Meade, who were natives of Ireland. In early life they came to America and were married on this side of the Atlantic. After reaching American shores they established their home in Stoughton and Mr. Meade was employed in shoe factories throughout his remaining days, his death occurring in 1885. His widow survived him for about six years, passing away in 1891.

James Meade spent his youthful days in Stoughton, where he attended the public and parochial schools and thus acquired the education which fitted him for life's practical and responsible duties. When his textbooks were put aside he sought employment in rubber factories and has continued in the same line of work to the present

time. One element of his success is the fact that he has always remained in the field of activity in which he embarked as a young tradesman. He has mastered every phase of the business and for a long period he was superintendent of the Plymouth Rubber Company at Canton. When he resigned his position there to return to Stoughton and establish his present business, the employes of the plant, numbering two hundred, met to offer their kindest felicitations and show their respect to him. They were joined by many of the leading citizens of the town, who made the event one of unusual interest. On that occasion the factory employes who had long known Mr. Meade as their boss and overseer, presented him with a handsome gold watch suitably engraved, and this possession he prizes most highly. In *The Sentinel Observations*, published at Canton, appeared the following editorial concerning the occasion and indicating the spirit in which it was held: "That was a wonderfully interesting and peculiarly satisfactory affair on Saturday evening when the workers of the Plymouth Rubber Company of Canton paid their tribute to their retiring superintendent, James Meade, in Foresters Hall. Nothing just like it has ever been held in this town. Here were some two hundred men of all nationalities, working men gathered to pay tribute to one who had been for fifteen years their boss and overseer. In that time it is reasonable to presume that Mr. Meade, had he been a good superintendent as there is no doubt that he was, had been obliged to be strong and strict in his application of efficiency and business principles to the work that he was called to do. Such efforts are usually conducive to the inculcation of jealousies and hard feeling that are constantly the result of misunderstanding of attitudes in an establishment and the lack of appreciation of the requirements of the place which such a position requires. It is a position that often leads to hard feeling and grudges for honest decisions made and for admonitions that may be and usually are just and warranted. When therefore one sees in place of bitterness and ill-feeling such a unanimous and hearty expression of goodwill, yes, even loving respect and hearty commendation given without the expectation of favor in return, then we may well say that the occasion is rare and unusual. To attain such an end one must be a rare man and well equipped with those kindlier and unusual attributes of good-heartedness that deserve mention and attention. The man himself must be a man of broad sympathy and real good-heartedness to have won all these men and these tributes. Such a man we know Mr. James Meade to be and the personal friends of Mr. Meade, leading citizens of the town, who were privileged to be present in large



numbers on this evening, were unanimous in their appreciation of the splendid meaning of this recognition of him on the part of the men of whom such fine sentiments were hardly to be expected. In these days of the harsh snapping of the line that is apt to be drawn between the employer and the employe it is indeed refreshing to see so fine a showing of respect and regard between the front office and the work bench and machine. It was only made possible by the fact that here we find a man who is broad minded, generous in his sympathies and helpful in his attitude. It is given to few men to be endowed with those virtues in a degree such as is vouchsafed to Mr. Meade and we are glad that Stoughton is able to boast such a man as its home product, that we are to have him as one of our leading employers of labor in the future and that he has definitely decided against other influences to settle his future in the town. His decision I believe bodes well for Stoughton as a growing town. That he will succeed we have no doubt and also that in his success he will give to the community a large share not only of increased business prosperity, but also the benefits that such a man of kindly attributes can add to the community welfare. Not much danger of labor troubles when such a man goes out to do business."

With his return to Stoughton, Mr. Meade established The Meade Rubber Company and began the manufacture of rubber heels and soles and also the putting of a rubber surface upon fabrics and hospital sheetings. He has a well equipped plant supplied with the latest improved machinery for doing work of this character, and already his business has grown to substantial proportions.

In July, 1891, Mr. Meade was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Mahoney, a daughter of John and Barbara (Crawford) Mahoney, who are natives of Ireland and of England respectively. The father, born on the Emerald isle, was brought to America during his infancy by his parents. He became a leather heel manufacturer in Stoughton, devoting many years to that business, but for the past seven years he has been retired. His wife also became a resident of the new world during her infancy and she, too, is yet living. Mr. and Mrs. Meade have become the parents of four children, namely: B. Evangeline, now twenty-four years of age; Mary Elizabeth, aged twenty-two; Evelyn, eighteen years of age; and J. Miles, a youth of sixteen years. The family are communicants of the Catholic church and they reside at 53 Sumner street, where they have a pleasant home. They have gained many friends during the period of their residence in Stoughton and the hospitality of the best homes is freely accorded them. Mr. Meade is a democrat in his political

views and has served for twenty years on the democratic town central committee. Fraternally he is connected with the Knights of Columbus and with the Catholic Order of Foresters and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. He is a man of kindly spirit and genial disposition who wins friends wherever he goes. In his business, justice and consideration for others are evenly balanced qualities and both in business and private life he is continually extending a helping hand to those who need assistance. All who know James Meade speak of him in terms of the highest regard and are proud to count him as a friend.

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### ISAAC NEWTON LEWIS, A. M., LL. B.

Isaac Newton Lewis, teacher, author, lawyer, traveler and patriot, of Walpole, Massachusetts, was there born on Christmas day of 1848, a son of Sergeant William and Judith M. (Whittemore) Lewis, the former a native of Walpole and the latter of Boston, Massachusetts. The father was an officer of the old Walpole Light Infantry and an able musician, being the first bass violinist and organist of the Second Congregational Church and Society of Walpole, of which he was one of the founders. His wife was a physician of unusual worth and ability. They were the parents of nine healthy and robust children, the eldest being John W. Lewis, of Norwich, Connecticut, a music teacher and composer of wide reputation, and the youngest being Miss Mary F. Lewis, regent of the Nelly Custis Lewis Chapter, D. A. R., and vice president of the Wednesday Club. Another member of the family is James A. Lewis, bugler and band musician of the Forty-fourth Regiment, M. V. M., in the Civil war, and three of his grandsons are now serving their country under the same flag in the present grave struggle for freedom, thus making an unbroken patriotic service to the country by this old New England family from its very foundation to the present time.

The first of the family to permanently settle in America were William Lewis and his wife, Amy, who came to Roxbury in 1635 from southern Wales and England, where their three elder children had been born. A former generation is said to have crossed the channel from eastern France as William and Marie Lewis in the latter part of the sixteenth century to escape religious persecution. Colonel Fielding Lewis, who married General Washington's sister Betty. Major Lawrence Lewis, who married Nelly Parke Custis, and



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Francis Lewis, the noted son of liberty and signer of the Declaration of Independence, are all said to be of the same family. After some years in Roxbury, where he was admitted a freeman and started the church of Rev. John Eliot, William Lewis left to found the town of Lancaster, Massachusetts, where he was third in point of wealth and where he died four years before the town was burned by the Indians in King Philip's war. His son, John Lewis, who was also one of the founders of the town and also one of the first cloth manufacturers in America, upon the destruction of the town sought in 1678 a safer and more peaceful home near the old Whiting mill in East Dedham, Massachusetts, where in 1680 he died and where his name is still perpetuated in the old street called Lewis Lane. Two of his sons, John and Lieutenant Barachiah Lewis, in their youth had the rare fortune of being the pupils of Rev. Joseph Rowlandson, the sole graduate of Harvard College in the class of 1652, as well as thorough training in military discipline in Indian warfare, so that during the King William and Queen Anne wars they saw constant service, being often the sole dependence of the helpless governor of the province in the several campaigns from 1706 to 1710, when in the last Old Port Royal (Nova Scotia) campaign Lieutenant Barachiah finally fell, a sore and widely lamented sacrifice to personal heroism, when only forty-seven years old. He left a large family, but many of his numerous and distinguished descendants, like the Rev. Rufus Ellis of the First Church of Boston and the Rev. George Ellis of the Charlestown Harvard church, have to their credit since then notably served their country in other callings. The prompt and unselfish patriotism, the strong and noble part taken by Lieutenant Barachiah Lewis in protecting at his own loss and sacrifice the homes and lives of the distressed first settlers here led Isaac Newton Lewis of this review some years ago to design and erect to his memory on Lewis square in Walpole, a spot dedicated to liberty and given years before by the Revolutionary war patriot, Isaac Lewis, a bronze equestrian statue. This public-spirited act was at once warmly commended and the spot has ever since been visited and respected by military and naval officers as a notably precious and sacred shrine of true soldierly devotion to humanity and heroic deeds.

Isaac Newton Lewis spent his entire childhood in his native town, where he attended its public and private schools, often teaching therein, until 1868, when he entered the Eliot high school of Boston, Massachusetts, to prepare for Harvard College. There also he taught and had among his classmates William Thomas, son of Judge Thomas, with whom he entered Harvard in 1869. He was grad-

uated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1873. Among his college classmates were Dr. Maurice Richardson, Judge Robert Grant, Charles Theodore Russell, Dudley Pickman, Grant Walker and others of like note. Among his instructors were Professors Pierce, Bowen, Goodwin, Lowell, Shaler, Childs, Trowbridge, Dunbar, Seaver, Peabody, Holmes and their distinguished associates. Immediately on graduation from college Mr. Lewis visited England, France and Germany for post-graduate investigation and study. On his return he received from Boston University the degree of LL. B. and was at once admitted to the bar in Boston. In 1877 the same university conferred upon him the first degree of A. M. ever granted by that institution. He at once opened the law office in Boston which he has occupied continuously for over thirty years. In 1876 he was appointed a justice to hear and determine cases and soon after a justice with large civil jurisdiction, a commissioner and a notary public, which offices he has since filled continuously. He has often been town and city counsel and has enjoyed a wide practice and a generous share of such desirable positions as are attainable by honorable and honest lawyers. Among his many trusts was a large Worcester county estate on which Napoleon Bonaparte was to live. He has always labored to originate and stimulate industrial and domestic enterprises in both city and country, early organizing both the Norfolk and the Middlesex Publishing Companies, which beside their other activities owned and published some eight country newspapers, serving four years as their president and director. He also early became clerk and director of the Neponset Reservoir Company and other large water power corporations and the president of both the Maple Grove and the Walpole Plain cemeteries, both of which he had organized and financially aided; and meantime he had taken some five journeys abroad, one entirely around the globe, in their behalf.

On the 19th of April, 1899, Mr. Lewis was married to his cousin, Miss Etta A. Lewis, the daughter of James and Eveline Lewis, of Newark, New Jersey, and since then they have made their principal home at the Castle in Walpole, an old estate continuously in the family's possession since 1740.

The military experience of Mr. Lewis covers service as drill master, since 1874, in academy and high schools, where Prince Charlie and others of noble blood stood shoulder to shoulder with Yankee boys, and as commandant of the Washington Guards and as captain of the minute men of the present grave struggle for freedom for all nations. In politics he has always been a stalwart republican

—ever since its first candidate, John C. Fremont, was placed in the field. He has rendered substantial service also as a teacher, school committeeman and as a trustee of the public library and in the last named position is still serving. To the library he has donated from time to time many useful and costly books and appliances, including some from members of the family of Sir Robert Walpole, for whom the town was named, Sir Spencer Walpole and the present Lord Orford Robert Walpole. In religion Mr. Lewis is strictly orthodox, though his financial support embraces all sects. He is also a member of the Norfolk Bar Association, president of the Francis Lewis Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and of the First Historical Society of Walpole, both of which he early organized and equipped with rare manuscripts, books, charters and collections beginning with the year 1200 A. D. He is also a member of the Authors Club and of the Royal Societies Club of London, England, the Art Club, a life member of the American Historical Association, of the Society of Colonial Wars and of the New England Historic-Genealogical Society, of the National Geographic Society, in which he had the pleasure of helping toward the discovery of the North Pole in 1909 by Peary, and of the Military Efficiency Association, with present headquarters at Harvard University.

It is unnecessary here to mention the public-spirited labors and the many public gifts of Mr. Lewis or of his public-spirited celebration held in honor of Shakespeare, Martin Luther and Sir Robert Walpole, earl of Orford, a life-size oil portrait of whom he gave to his native town; his gift of a granite receiving tomb for Sir Spencer Walpole and the gift of two fully equipped cemetery lots for fifty-six neglected Revolutionary war patriots. In regard to his literary works, the following certainly deserve mention here: *In Memoriam*; *Pleasant Hours in Sunny Lands*; *History of Walpole, Massachusetts*; *Addresses on Sir Robert Walpole and Rev. Phillips Payson*; *The Influence of Harvard College in Our Early English Settlements*; *Minute Men and Other Patriots of Walpole, Massachusetts, 1775-1783*; *Undaunted*; *Her Triumph*; *The Brazen Perjurer*; *An Ungrateful Public*; and *The Patriot's Call*.

As a man of fine feeling and scholarly attainments, with whom association means inspiration, expansion and elevation, Mr. Lewis has done much to arouse and promote public-spirited citizenship and manly worth and has always been among the foremost against ignorance, mendacity, lawlessness and crime. In him the loftier spirit and principles of our rugged forefathers have never weakened. Life is as sweet, heaven as bright, God as good whatever comes.

Cheerfulness, courage and hope have in him crowned a useful and worthy life. "The first of all the virtues of this world," says Plato, "is loyalty in need and danger." That has ever been this man's life. "Greater love hath no man than this that he lay down his life for a friend" is the vital record of scripture—the unfailing test of all human worth and effort.

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### PATRICK HENRY MAHONEY.

Patrick Henry Mahoney, a prominent and well known business man of Wrentham, where he is conducting a real estate and insurance office was born in Walpole, Massachusetts, September 3, 1878, and is a son of William and Margaret (Landres) Mahoney, who were natives of Ireland. The father came to America when thirteen years of age and located in Walpole, Massachusetts, where he attended the public schools. He later established a mattress factory in Walpole and successfully conducted the business for many years or until his death, which occurred on the 24th of October, 1903.

Spending his youthful days in his father's home, Patrick H. Mahoney attended the public schools of Walpole until he has passed through consecutive grades to the high school. He afterward pursued a course of study in the Bryant & Stratton Commercial College at Boston and he entered upon his business career in the capacity of a private secretary. He has been identified with the real estate and insurance business since 1909, in which year he established an office at Boston and also at Walpole. He conducted his interests in the two cities until 1915, when he removed to Wrentham, where he has since remained. He has built up a large clientage in both departments and the extent of his business makes his one of the important interests of the kind in Norfolk county.

On the 29th of June, 1915, in Arlington, Massachusetts, Mr. Mahoney was united in marriage to Miss Anna J. Moakley, a daughter of James and Mary Moakley, of Lexington, Massachusetts. Mr. Mahoney is a member of the Catholic church and is identified with Walpole Council of the Knights of Columbus. He is also a member of the Norwood Lodge of Elks and is president of the Wrentham Board of Trade. In politics he maintains an independent course. His military career covers service with the Wrentham Home Guard. He has done important work in public connections, having become a member of the Walpole school committee in 1906





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and serving in that capacity until 1915, acting as clerk of the school board for five years. From 1910 until 1914 he was a member of the Walpole board of assessors and also acted as clerk of that board. In 1917 he was secretary of the Wrentham Public Safety Committee.

In a word, he is deeply interested in all that pertains to general improvement and his progressiveness has been manifest in substantial and beneficial results. At the same time he manifests untaltering enterprise in business affairs and there is no phase of insurance with which he is not familiar, while his knowledge of the real estate market is most comprehensive. His diligence and perseverance have been salient features in his growing success and he is today one of the leading business men of his section of Norfolk county.

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### FRANK SMITH.

Frank Smith, of Dedham, Massachusetts, widely known as the former president of the Bay State Historical League, was born in Dover on the 11th of June, 1854, a son of Albert Leland and Sarah Elizabeth (Howe) Smith. He is a descendant in the eighth generation of Robert Smith, who was one of the founders in 1639 of Exeter, New Hampshire, and who was several times commissioned by the general court for "the settling of small affairs." His son, Asahel Smith, the direct ancestor of Frank Smith of this review, settled in Dedham in 1671 and became a prominent man of the town, was representative to the general court and chairman of the selectmen, as well as the first town treasurer. Frank Smith has written biographical sketches of his forbears which include more than two hundred and fifty Puritan ancestors, most of whom came to America before 1640. Through these lines he is connected with the leading events in the history of the country. He has kinship with prominent authors, statesmen, inventors, financiers and philanthropists. He has sixteen ancestors who served in the Revolutionary war. The town of Dedham organized in 1644 the first free public school in the world to be supported by general taxation and six of Mr. Smith's ancestors voted to organize the school.

After completing a public school education in his native town Frank Smith was for many years a member of the firm of Thompson, Brown & Company, educational publishers of Boston. In this connection he was instrumental in bringing out some of the popular textbooks of the day, especially those having to do with mathematics.

He is the author of the History of Dover, the first volume of which is narrative and the second genealogical. He is likewise the author of "Dover Farms," "The Founders of the First Parish," and many historical pamphlets.

On the 17th of October, 1888, Mr. Smith was married to Jennie G., a daughter of Samuel F. and Hannah (Ellis) Allen. She died November 21, 1893, and on the 9th of June, 1897, Mr. Smith was married to Lillian Ellis, a daughter of John Leonard and Lucy (Ellis) Fisher, of Westwood. Mr. and Mrs. Smith were the first couple married in the town. Mrs. Smith's ancestors, both paternal and maternal, were prominently connected with Dedham from the first settlement of the town in 1636. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have two children: Ellis, a student in the College of Business Administration of Boston University; and Sarah, a pupil in the Dedham high school.

Fraternally Mr. Smith is connected with Constellation Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Dedham and is most prominently known in connection with his work as a representative of historical societies. He is the president of the Dover Historical Society, was the former president of the Bay State Historical League and vice president of the Dedham Historical Society. In politics he represents a long line of democrats. His great-grandfather voted for Thomas Jefferson, his grandfather supported Jackson and his father was also an ardent democrat, while Mr. Smith of this review cast his maiden vote for Samuel J. Tilden. He was a member of the Massachusetts general court in 1888 and for ten years he served as superintendent of schools in Dover. He has also served on many important committees since becoming a resident of Dedham. He is a member of the standing committee of the Massachusetts Society of the Cincinnati, representing Captain John Williams, who fought at the Lexington Alarm, Bunker Hill and in fact throughout the entire Revolutionary struggle.

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#### EZRA H. STETSON.

The name of Stetson has become known throughout the world in connection with shoe manufacturing and an immense volume of business has been built up under the style of the Stetson Shoe Company, with Ezra H. Stetson as its president. This constitutes one of the most important features in the manufacturing interests of South Weymouth, while the offices of the company are maintained at 183

Essex street, Boston. Mr. Stetson was born in Sumner, Maine, November 23, 1850, and is a son of Josiah T. and Cynthia A. (Cobb) Stetson, who were natives of Maine. The grandmother in the maternal line was a member of the Hersey family and had twelve children. Josiah T. Stetson devoted his life to the occupation of farming in Maine and was reared upon the old homestead property which he operated after attaining his majority. His entire life was passed upon that farm, where he was born in January, 1821, and where his death occurred in November, 1910. For a decade he had survived his wife, who died in 1900.

Ezra H. Stetson was reared and educated in Sumner, Maine, attending the graded schools of that place, while later he became a pupil in the high school at Buckfield, Maine. He resided upon the home farm with his parents until he had attained his majority and he is still the owner of that property. After reaching adult age, however, he removed to South Weymouth, Norfolk county, Massachusetts, where he took up his abode in 1871 and entered the employ of Lysander Heald, the father of his present partner. Later he became connected with the firm of H. B. Reed & Company, manufacturers of shoes, and occupied the responsible position of superintendent of their factory for five years. In 1885 he entered into partnership with A. C. Heald for the manufacture of shoes. They opened a small factory and began operations on a limited scale but developed their interests until they have built up the now famous business which has made the Stetson shoe known all over the world. Their plant is today extensive and stands as a monument to the progressiveness, business enterprise and executive force of Mr. Stetson and his associates in the undertaking. Mr. Stetson has traveled for the house much of the time through all these years and has visited every state in the Union and many foreign countries.

In July, 1896, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. Stetson and Miss Hattie Wright, who passed away ten years later, in 1906. In August, 1917, he was again married, his second union being with Louise B. Winslow. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity, holding membership in the lodge, chapter, commandery and Mystic Shrine, and he is also connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His political belief is that of the republican party, while his religious faith is that of the Congregational church. He is interested in many of the forces which make for the benefit of mankind and the upbuilding of city and state and at the same time he has concentrated his efforts and attention so largely upon business affairs

that success in notable measure has come to him. His is a progressive spirit ruled by more than ordinary intelligence and good judgment. An indomitable perseverance fosters and impels a deep earnestness and the native justice of his character expresses itself in correct principle and practice.

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### F. MORTIMER LAMB.

Among those whose names have found place among the leading artists of New England and whose canvases are dear to the hearts of their possessors, more than passing mention should be made of F. Mortimer Lamb, whose landscapes have been exhibited and have won prizes in many of the leading cities of the country. Mr. Lamb is a native son of Massachusetts, his birth having occurred in Middleboro on the 5th of May, 1861, his parents being Amasa A. and Ardelia A. (Monk) Lamb. The father was a native of North Easton, Massachusetts, while the mother's birth occurred in Troy, New York. Amasa A. Lamb was a carriage painter by trade and arrived in Stoughton in 1863. While his painting contributions were mostly to the mechanical art, he gave more or less attention to the painting of pictures and scenery. He had the distinction of putting upon the road probably the first moving picture show ever displayed in this country. It was called a Diorama and was built and made entirely by himself. He drew and painted all the figures, cutting them out with a jack knife, and he constructed the mechanism in such a way that they were a moving mass. He went upon the road with that show in 1861. After locating in Stoughton he was employed to some extent in shoe factories, but in 1869 he purchased a shop and continued in the carriage painting business. His artistic nature, however, found expression and he became well known as a scene painter and also as a painter of various patriotic pictures, one of which, his "Emancipation," attracted wide attention and is now in the possession of the Stoughton Historical Society. His death occurred in November, 1909, while his wife passed away about a year before, in August, 1908. Mrs. Lamb was also a painter and decorator and did much work of a superior quality. She was also for twelve or fourteen years at the head of the public schools of Stoughton.

F. Mortimer Lamb spent his youthful days in Stoughton, where he attended the public schools, reaching the third year in the high school. His parents recognized, however, that he would not become

a scholar in the sense of mastering the contents of books, for throughout his school days his books were decorated with drawings and they decided to see what the art schools would do for him. Accordingly when he was seventeen years of age he entered the Massachusetts Normal Art School of Boston, which has produced some of the most distinguished painters and sculptors not only of this country but of the world. He spent five years as a student there and was graduated with the class of 1883. He had been in the school only a brief period when he won leadership in his classes. After two years in the Normal Art School he began teaching in the evening schools in South Boston, Malden, Woburn and Brockton and for twenty years has been principal of the Evening Drawing School in Taunton. Following his graduation from the Normal Art School he taught in the School of Art of the New England Conservatory of Music and he also entered the Boston Art Museum, where he studied for three years. He afterward went to Europe and for two years was a student in Julien's Studio in Paris under Boulanger and Le Fevre. Following his return to his native country he opened a studio in Brockton, Massachusetts, and at the same time he continued his instruction in the Evening Drawing School of Taunton, which has developed the powers of some of the eminent artists of America, this being regarded as one of the best evening schools of the country. For three years Mr. Lamb also conducted a studio on Beacon street in Boston, but throughout the entire period he was making his home in Stoughton and at length determined to establish his studio at home, which he did, doing all his work in the city in which he has practically spent his entire life. He has a fine residence at No. 59 Grove street, which was erected by his father in 1869. Mr. Lamb has won wide fame as an animal and landscape artist and his canvases are seen in all parts of the United States, and a considerable number have been sent abroad. Today his pictures are sold to a large extent in Philadelphia. They have been on exhibit at the Chicago Exposition and at the Chicago Art Institute, at the California Midwinter Exposition, the Detroit Museum of Fine Arts, the New York Society of American Artists, the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and the Boston Art Club. He was awarded the gold medal at the Twentieth Century Exposition in Boston in 1900 and won the silver medal at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915.

On the 23d of November, 1906, Mr. Lamb was united in marriage to Miss Anna R. Farrell, a daughter of John and Rosa (Sheridan) Farrell, and a relative of General Phil Sheridan. Her parents were natives of Ireland, the father born in County Longford and the

mother in County Cavan, and they came to America in early life. Mr. Farrell was employed in the shoe factories of Stoughton for many years and finally removed to Illinois, settling near Chicago, where he carried on agricultural pursuits for a time. He then returned to Massachusetts and established a grocery store at Canton, Norfolk county. Later he again took up his abode in Stoughton, where he devoted his attention to crimping boots and to farming. He died in 1904. Mr. and Mrs. Lamb became parents of two children but lost both in infancy.

In politics Mr. Lamb has always maintained an independent course. His religious faith is that of the Universalist church and he is a broad and liberal minded man who keeps in touch with the trend of modern thought and activity but who devotes the greater part of his attention to his art, his developing powers having placed his name high on the roll of the leading artists of New England. He is a life member of both the New York Water Color Club and the American Water Color Society of New York, and also belongs to the Artists Guild of Chicago.

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### JOHN W. McANARNEY.

John W. McAnarney, a distinguished representative of the Massachusetts bar, practicing at Quincy and at Boston, is heard as well in various courts in this and other states. Massachusetts numbers him among her native sons, his birth having occurred in Stoughton on the 22d of January, 1867, his parents being Thomas and Bridget T. McAnarney, who came to the United States from Ireland, their native country, in the early '50s. The father was a boot maker and in following that pursuit provided for his family.

John W. McAnarney acquired his education in the public schools of Abington, supplemented by a short course in an academy at Braintree, Massachusetts, after which he devoted two years to study under private tutors. Deciding upon the practice of law as a life work, he began reading in the office and under the direction of the firm of Cotter & Jenney at No. 209 Washington street, Boston, and in July, 1888, he was admitted to the bar. For two years thereafter, however, he remained with his preceptors, but in 1890 removed to an office in the Sears building. In the year of his admission he had opened an office in Quincy, where he has continuously



made his home, but has also maintained his office in Boston. He is well known as an advocate, having specialized in the trial of cases, but for seventeen years he has never taken part in the trial of criminal cases. He has been connected with much important litigation and is now attorney for the Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation, the Bay State Street Railway Company, the Granite Manufacturing Association and many other corporations. He has practiced all over Massachusetts and in six or seven other states, and he is often heard in the United States courts in important cases. While he has continued in general practice, the nature of his law business has constantly changed until he is now retained in connection with most important interests. He has comprehensive knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence and of precedent and is never surprised by an unexpected attack of opposing counsel, for he prepares for the unexpected, which happens in the courts quite as frequently as out of them.

On the 15th of September, 1897, Mr. McAnarney was united in marriage to Miss Mary Webb, of Quincy, a daughter of William and Hannah Webb. They had one child, Mary W., who was born May 6, 1900. Mrs. McAnarney passed away January 3, 1903.

In religious faith Mr. McAnarney is a Catholic and has membership with the Knights of Columbus and the Massachusetts organization of Catholic Foresters. He is also connected with the Ancient Order of Hibernians and with the Scottish Clans and he has membership with the Sons of Veterans, his father having served as a soldier of the Civil war. He is likewise identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks at Quincy and along more strictly social lines he is connected with the Quincy Yacht Club, the Granite City Club, the Neighborhood Club, all of Quincy, and the Boston City Club. In politics he is independent. For nine years he filled the office of city solicitor of Quincy and his membership associations along professional lines are with the Norfolk County Bar Association, of which he is the vice president, the Massachusetts Bar Association and the American Bar Association. For the past twelve years he has been president of the Quincy Bar Association, of which he was one of the organizers, and upon the death of William G. Pattee, its first president, he was elected to the office, showing his high standing among his colleagues and contemporaries in professional circles in the city of his residence. Mr. McAnarney was called upon to deliver the address upon the dedication of the new Quincy courthouse and he has been closely associated with many

events of public interest and at all times is active in support of plans and measures for the general good, keeping in close touch with the vital and significant problems of the day.

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### DANIEL J. DALEY.

Daniel J. Daley, a prominent attorney of Boston residing in Brookline, was there born June 19, 1877, and is a son of Daniel J. and Annie (O'Leary) Daley, both of whom came to America from Ireland, where they were born. They crossed the Atlantic in early life and became residents of the village of Brookline, where Mr. Daley afterward engaged in contracting and building for a number of years, conducting a profitable business. The parents were married in Brookline and continued their residence there until called to their final rest.

Daniel J. Daley, their only child, attended the public schools of Brookline and later became a student in the night high school and eventually matriculated in the Northeastern College, in which he prepared for his professional career, being graduated on the completion of the law course in 1905 with the LL. B. degree. The same year he began practice in association with Sherman L. Whipple, a leading attorney of Boston, and this connection has since been maintained. Mr. Daley is an able lawyer, thoroughly versed in the principles of jurisprudence, is strong in argument, clear in his reasoning and logical in his deductions. He has been connected with much important litigation and his ability has placed him in the front rank among the leading attorneys of the city.

On the 12th of April, 1899, Mr. Daley was united in marriage to Miss Mary F. Crager, of Boston, a daughter of Eugene G. and Margaret Crager. Ten children have been born to them. Florence M., born in Brookline in March, 1900, is attending Notre Dame. Frank M., born in 1901, is a student in St. John's College. Harry B., born in Brookline in 1903, Daniel J., born in 1905, George Washington, born February 22, 1907, Eleanor Margaret, born in 1909, and Sherman Whipple born in 1910, Walter C., born in 1912 and Jack, in 1913, are all attending school. Frederick G., born in 1915, completes the family.

Fraternally Mr. Daley is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a Knight of Columbus of the fourth degree and is also connected with the Massachusetts Catholic Or-



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der of Foresters. He belongs to the City Club of Boston, to the Boston City Bar Association, the Boston Chamber of Commerce and the Boston Press Club. A prominent democrat, he has served as a member of the board of assessors of Brookline, occupying that position from 1904 until 1914, when he resigned. He was the democratic candidate for Congress in 1910 against Senator John W. Weeks. He has been one of the active party workers in Boston for many years and was a delegate to the democratic convention in Baltimore which nominated President Woodrow Wilson. He closely studies the leading questions and issues of the day and upon political problems brings to bear the same habits of keen analysis which characterize his conduct of his law practice.

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#### CHARLES BUMPUS HUSSEY, M. D.

Dr. Charles Bumpus Hussey, a physician and surgeon, actively and successfully engaged in practice in Franklin, was born in China, Maine, on the 31st of July, 1873. His father, the late Jedediah F. Hussey, was also a native of China and came of English ancestry, the family having been established on American soil at an early period in the colonization of the new world by three brothers who crossed the Atlantic on the good ship *Ann*. Jedediah F. Hussey in young manhood engaged in agricultural pursuits and in later life turned his attention to the plumbing business. In 1892 he established his home in Franklin, Massachusetts, where he continued his residence to the time of his death, which occurred May 12, 1914, when he had reached the age of sixty-seven years. He married Ella Bumpus, a native of China, Maine, and a representative of one of the old families of the Pine Tree state, of English lineage, a family that was founded in America in 1620, the first American ancestor settling at Plymouth, Massachusetts. Mrs. Hussey still survives and is now living in Franklin. In the family were two children, the younger being Dr. Frederick Hussey, of Providence, Rhode Island.

The elder son, Dr. Charles Bumpus Hussey, was educated in the public and high schools of China, Maine, and following his graduation there continued his studies in the Coburn Classical Institute at Waterville, Maine, from which he was graduated with the class of 1891. He then spent one year in Harvard and completed his medical course in the University of Vermont by graduation with the class of 1895, at which time his professional degree was conferred upon

him. In the succeeding summer he entered upon active practice at Franklin, Massachusetts, in connection with Dr. Gregory A. Martin, with whom he was associated until 1900, when he went to London for post graduate work, spending six months there. Upon his return he resumed practice in Franklin, where he has since continued. He has not specialized along a certain line but has given his attention to general practice and is the loved family physician in many a household of Franklin and vicinity. He belongs to the Thurber Medical Association, the American Association of Progressive Medicine, and in the former he served as president in 1892 and 1893.

On the 3d of December, 1906, Dr. Hussey was united in marriage in Franklin, Massachusetts, to Miss H. Mabel Turner, a native of Franklin and a daughter of Thaddeus and Harriet (Corley) Turner. Dr. Hussey gives his political support to the republican party, of which he is a stanch advocate, and he is now serving as a member of the Franklin Board of Health but otherwise has never sought or filled political positions. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, belonging to lodge and chapter, and is a past master of Excelsior Lodge. He is also connected with the Ancient Order of United Workmen. He is widely and favorably known in these organizations and to the general public as well and he commands the confidence, goodwill and respect of all with whom he has been associated.

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### GEORGE MOWRY GRAVES.

George Mowry Graves, purchasing agent for Bird & Son, paper manufacturers, since the 1st of April, 1893, and prominently known in connection with the paper trade of eastern Massachusetts, was born in Millbury, Massachusetts, January 26, 1873, a son of Parley Whittemore and Emily A. (Greene) Graves. The ancestry of the family is traced back to Thomas Graves, who was born in Ratcliff, England, June 6, 1605, and in 1636 became a resident of Charlestown, Massachusetts. He was a mariner and became master of the first American-built vessel, the *Tryall*. He was afterward commissioned a rear admiral in the British navy and was killed in action with the Dutch, July 31, 1653. The line of descent comes down through his son, Joseph Graves, who was born April 13, 1645, and was a soldier of King Philip's war, his death occurring June 5, 1676; John Graves, who was born May 10, 1674, and died

April 9, 1762; John Graves, who was born January 27, 1720; David Graves, who was born October 13, 1768, and died April 12, 1815; Ira Graves, who was born September 7, 1794, and died January 10, 1873; and Parley Whittemore Graves, who was born July 12, 1827, and died December 15, 1906. The last named married Emily A. Greene, who traces her ancestry from Ebenezer Greene, of Thompson, Connecticut, who was a soldier of the Revolutionary war. The next in the line of descent was Samuel Greene, the father of Emily Almira Greene.

George Mowry Graves was a pupil in the public schools of Millbury, Massachusetts, and in Hinman's Business College of Worcester, from which he was graduated with the class of 1890. Entering upon his business career, he has throughout the entire period been identified with the paper trade and since the 1st of April, 1893, has been purchasing agent for the firm of Bird & Son, paper manufacturers. As the years have passed on he has also extended his business connections and is now president of the Corey-Whiting Cranberry Company of Plymouth, Massachusetts, is secretary and treasurer of the Felt Manufacturers Association of Boston, is chairman of the felt division and director of the Canadian Pulp & Paper Association of Montreal, Canada, and is a director of the Walpole Cooperative Bank. His broad experience, his sound business judgment and his indefatigable enterprise have made him one of the prominent and representative business men of his section of the state.

On the 30th of October, 1901, Mr. Graves was united in marriage to Miss Maude C. Ryan, a daughter of William and Hughena (Ross) Ryan. They have become parents of two children, Nancy Whittemore and Constance Ross Graves.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Unitarian church. Mr. Graves has always been deeply interested in community affairs and has served as chairman of the board of selectmen of Walpole for two years—1906 and 1907. He has also been a member of the school committee since 1913. Fraternally he is connected with Orient Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Norwood; Hebron Chapter, R. A. M., of Norwood; Cyprus Commandery, K. T., of Hyde Park; and Aleppo Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He likewise belongs to the Economics Club of Boston, the New England Purchasing Agents' Association of Boston and the Norfolk Golf Club of Islington, Massachusetts. Actuated by a laudable ambition, he has embraced every opportunity for advancement in his business career, and recognizing the fact that power grows through the exercise of effort, he has so directed his labors that his strength and resourcefulness in business affairs have

constantly increased. At the same time he has recognized his duties and obligations in citizenship and has manifested an appreciation for the social amenities of life in his connection with fraternal and club organizations.

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### GEORGE E. EMERSON, M. D.

For over a decade Dr. George E. Emerson has been engaged in medical practice in South Weymouth and has received due recognition of his talents and experience, having a notable and extensive practice. He was born in New Hampton, New Hampshire, November 6, 1880, and is a son of George A. and Luzetta (Draper) Emerson, the mother also a native of that state and the father of Maine. George A. Emerson is a lawyer by profession and was successful in this line, his ability being widely recognized by the general public as well as by his professional friends. He was in the service of the government for a time, his duties calling him to all parts of the United States. In 1892 he located in Massachusetts and selected Everett as a place of residence, while he practiced in Boston, gaining a position of prominence at the Boston bar. In 1907 he gave up his law practice and proceeded to Bristol, New Hampshire, where he has since resided. He is an honored veteran of the Civil war, having served for about a year with the Forty-second Massachusetts Infantry, and the patriotic spirit of the family is proved by the fact that five of his brothers took part in the same conflict. While in the field he was taken sick and the effects of this illness have always remained with him. His wife is also living. She is a daughter of Jason C. Draper, one of the founders of the well known firm of Draper & Maynard, famous manufacturers of gloves and sporting goods at Plymouth, New Hampshire.

George E. Emerson was reared in Massachusetts, was a pupil in the grammar and high schools of Everett, Massachusetts, and also attended the Tilton Seminary of Tilton, New Hampshire, for one year. After due preparation he entered Harvard University and matriculated in the medical department, graduating with the class of 1903. Putting his theoretical knowledge to the test, he engaged in hospital work until 1907, gaining valuable knowledge from the many intricate cases which came under his attention. During all this time he remained as much a student as he had been in the university and his experience well qualifies him for the large practice which he now enjoys. In 1907 he came to South Weymouth, Norfolk county,



Massachusetts, and has for the last eleven years continued in this city. Dr. Emerson keeps continuously in contact with the latest discoveries in the world of medical science and is never at a loss to institute the latest and best adapted method a case demands. He is studious and yet not a bookman and is practical, his treatment being based upon actual experience.

In February, 1907, Dr. Emerson married Miss Myra Pearl Hill, a daughter of Frank and Clara (Scribner) Hill, the former a native of Northfield and the latter of Franklin, New Hampshire. In his earlier years Mr. Hill was engaged in the grocery business, but for a number of years past has been engaged in the lumber trade. He is one of the prominent dealers in this line, being president of the Asquam Lumber Company of Ashland, New Hampshire. His wife is also living. To Dr. and Mrs. Emerson were born three children: George Frank, born January 8, 1912; Eleanor Pearl, who was born June 28, 1913, and died March 4, 1914; and Roger Hill, born July 20, 1915.

Dr. Emerson has taken part in the public life of his city and as chairman of the board of health has done much toward improving the sanitary conditions of South Weymouth. He keeps in contact with his colleagues through his membership in the Norfolk South District Medical Society, the Massachusetts State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. Although both he and his wife were born and reared in the Methodist faith, the Doctor affiliates with the Universalists. Politically he is a republican but he has not taken an active part in the game of politics although he is conversant with the questions and issues of the day. Fraternally he is a member of the Masonic order and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Along professional, social and fraternal lines he has made an enviable place for himself and the respect which is accorded him as a physician, as a public-spirited citizen and as a genial and pleasant gentleman is well merited. He and his family occupy a handsome modern residence at No. 52 Columbian street, South Weymouth, and here he also maintains his office.

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### GILBERT HARRIS.

Gilbert Harris, a wide-awake and enterprising business man, is now superintendent and one of the stockholders of the Shawmut Woolen Mills of Stoughton. A native of Rhode Island, he was born at North Smithfield, January 14, 1874, and is a son of Orlando and

Nellie (Brown) Harris, who were also natives of Rhode Island. The father was a farmer throughout his entire business life, which he passed in Rhode Island. He is now living retired and makes his home at Woonsocket, enjoying a rest which he has truly earned and richly merits. His wife passed away in 1897.

Gilbert Harris largely spent the period of his boyhood and youth in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, and after mastering the branches of learning taught in the public schools he started out in the business world as an employe in a woolen factory when a lad of twelve. He worked at a knitting machine and has since continued in this line of business, gaining knowledge, experience and efficiency as the years have passed. In 1893 he established his home in Stoughton and entered the employ of the firm of French & Ward. He worked in a comparatively minor position in the factory of which he is now superintendent and his advancement to his present position has come in recognition of his faithfulness and capability as the years have passed by. He assisted the firm in establishing their business and remained with the house until 1916, when the Shawmut Woolen Mills were organized, Mr. Harris becoming one of the organizers and stockholders of the company, which is devoted to the manufacture of knit cloth, Jersey sweaters and other goods of similar character. R. H. Wimer is the treasurer of the company and A. S. Perskey is the president. Their output averages six thousand yards of cloth per week and three hundred dozen bathing suits per week. They are also making seventy-five thousand tights for the government. Their trade has reached very gratifying and satisfactory proportions and the business is today one of the important productive industries of the city.

In May, 1894, Mr. Harris was united in marriage to Miss Ada M. McLean and to them have been born three children: Prescott W., Marjorie A., and Gilbert D. The parents are members of the Congregational church and fraternally Mr. Harris is connected with the Masons, the Odd Fellows and the Red Men. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, but while he keeps well informed concerning the questions and issues of the day, he does not seek nor desire office, preferring to concentrate his efforts and attention upon his business affairs, which are rapidly developing. The Shawmut Woolen Mills did a business of five hundred thousand dollars in the year 1917 and at their factory, which is located at No. 208 Canton street, they employ fifty people. This establishment is largely a monument to the enterprise, business capacity and progressive spirit of Mr. Harris, who, starting out to provide for

his own support when a little lad of twelve years, has steadily worked his way upward. His work originally was of a minor character but as the years passed on his efficiency increased as the result of his close application, his indetatigable energy and his earnest desire to master the duties entrusted to him. Thus he has steadily progressed and each forward step has brought him a broader outlook and wider opportunities until today he stands with the well known and prominent manufacturers whose interests constitute the basic element of the progress and prosperity of Nortolk county.

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#### ABBOTT D. WHITING.

Abbott D. Whiting, deceased, was well known as a representative business man of Franklin, being prominently connected with manufacturing interests for a number of years. He was born in Unionville, in the town of Franklin, Norfolk county, October 6, 1859, and was a son of Daniel P. and Adeline (Briggs) Whiting. He supplemented his preliminary education, acquired in the public schools of Franklin, by study in Dean Academy and later he went to Philadelphia, where he was employed as a salesman for one year. He also worked in Boston for some time and afterward acted as street car conductor in both New York and Boston. He then returned to Franklin and accepted a position as superintendent with his brother, George R. Whiting, with whom he remained in this business association for many years. He afterward went into partnership with his brother in the ownership and conduct of a shoddy mill at Unionville and continued in the business up to the time of his death, being thus well known as one of the leading manufacturers in his part of the county.

On the 21st of June, 1888, Mr. Whiting was united in marriage to Miss Nellie S. Dascomb, a daughter of Moody K. and Martha R. (Farmer) Dascomb, who were natives of Maine, the former having been born in Carthage and the latter at Temple. The father was a farmer by occupation and also engaged in market gardening in Maine, where he resided to the time of his death. He came to Massachusetts to visit his daughter, Mrs. Whiting, and when at her home became ill and passed away December 26, 1917, at the age of eighty-four years. He had long survived his wife, whose death occurred in 1868. Mr. and Mrs. Whiting were the parents of two

children: Martha A., who is secretary to the superintendent of schools at Melrose; and Bernice D., at home.

Mr. Whiting had some farming interests at Franklin and also at Mendon, Massachusetts, and his investments in real estate included several residences. By reason of his well spent life, his indefatigable energy and his persistency of purpose Mr. Whiting secured a measure of success that enabled him to leave his family in comfortable circumstances when on the 22d of August, 1917, he passed away at the age of fifty-seven years. He was a loyal member of the Masonic fraternity, having attained the Knight Templar degree, and he belonged also to the Business Men's Association. His religious faith was evidenced by his membership in the Congregational church and his political faith was that of the republican party. In every relation of life he commanded the respect and goodwill of those with whom he was associated and his history is one well worthy of emulation, for it indicates what may be accomplished when determination and energy point out the way.

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#### WALTER S. PINKHAM.

Walter S. Pinkham, an attorney practicing at the bar of Boston but making his home in Quincy, has been closely associated with the work of development and progress in the latter city, while figuring as one of the foremost representatives of the legal profession in the former. He was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, August 21, 1865, and is a son of George F. and Ellen J. (Olney) Pinkham. The father, who represented one of the old colonial families of Massachusetts, is engaged in the real estate business. The mother is a descendant of Thomas Olney and the family name has long figured upon the pages of Massachusetts' history. In the year 1870 George F. Pinkham removed with his family to Quincy and, continuing active in the field of real estate, he laid out Wollaston, a suburb of the city, and otherwise contributed to the development and progress of Quincy through the avenue of real estate activity.

Walter S. Pinkham was graduated from the schools of Quincy and also from the Adams Academy with the class of 1882. He afterward entered Harvard, where he completed his classical course in 1887 and was a law graduate of 1890. Having thus qualified for the bar, he opened an office, where he has since followed his profession and is regarded as one of the strong and capable members

of the bar of that city, connected with much prominent litigation and widely known as a safe counselor as well as a strong advocate. Throughout the entire period Mr. Pinkham has made his home in Quincy and with its affairs has been closely associated as an advocate of all those interests which uphold civic standards and promote public progress. He has served as a member of the city council and was its president in 1898. He was city solicitor in 1914 and 1915 and for many years he has been closely associated with its educational interests as manager of the Adams Academy. He is also a member of the legislative committee of the Massachusetts Conveyance Association and is a member of the grievance committee of the Massachusetts Bar Association. Aside from his professional and public interests he is connected with the business affairs of Quincy as a director of the Wollaston Cooperative Bank.

In 1900 Mr. Pinkham was united in marriage to Miss Isabella Southworth Foote, of Quincy, a daughter of Allan R. and Emma L. Foote. The children of this marriage are Marjorie, Alden S. and Doris. Mr. Pinkham has always given his political allegiance to the republican party and keeps thoroughly in touch with the vital and significant problems of the age. He is prominent in Masonic circles, being a past master of Wollaston Lodge, A. F. & A. M., and now president of the Masters' Association of the Southeastern District. He served as district deputy grand master in 1913 and 1914. He belongs also to St. Stephen's Chapter, R. A. M., and to Quincy Commandery, No. 47, K. T. He attends the Baptist church and is interested in all those forces which work for righteousness and uplift. His identification along strictly professional lines is with the Bar Association of the City of Boston, the Norfolk County Bar Association, the Massachusetts State Bar Association, the Massachusetts Conveyance Association and the Quincy Bar Association. He is also identified with the Harvard Club and the social qualities of his nature have won him an extensive circle of friends in this section of the state.

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#### DENNY W. LIVERMORE, M. D.

High professional attainment finds expression in the life work of Dr. Denny W. Livermore, who has been most conscientious in the performance of all of his duties in connection with the practice of medicine and surgery and who at all times is intensely interested

in everything that tends to bring to man the key to the complex mystery which we call life. A native son of Massachusetts, he was born at West Brookfield, in Worcester county, July 12, 1872, his parents being S. D. and Harriett F. (Wood) Livermore, the former a native of Vermont, while the latter was born in West Brookfield, Worcester county, Massachusetts. S. D. Livermore was a cabinet maker by trade and about 1840 removed to Worcester county, where he followed his trade for more than a third of a century or until 1875, when his health failed him and he retired from active life, there passing away on the 6th of November, 1878. His widow long survived him, her death occurring on the 27th of March, 1901.

Denny W. Livermore was reared and educated in his native city and also attended the Warren high school. After his textbooks were put aside he turned his attention to mechanical pursuits and was employed in that way for several years. He was also connected with the corset business for a period but in 1902 he determined upon the practice of medicine as his further life work and with that end in view matriculated in the Boston University School of Medicine as a member of the class of 1906. He completed his full course, was graduated and opened an office in Boston, where he remained in practice until 1911, when he removed to Foxboro, Norfolk county, where he has since remained. He is now accorded a large and lucrative practice at this place and has among his patrons many of the best and most prominent families of his section of Norfolk county. His standards are high and he eagerly grasps every opportunity to raise himself to their level.

On the 10th of May, 1893, Dr. Livermore was united in marriage to Miss Jennie S. Knowlton, a daughter of Charles T. and Jane (Sholes) Knowlton, who were natives of Concord, New Hampshire, and of Charlestown, Massachusetts, respectively. The father was superintendent of a condensed milk factory owned by W. K. Lewis of Boston and about 1870 he removed to West Brookfield, Massachusetts. Throughout the period of the Civil war he was an engineer in the St. Charles Hotel in New Orleans and although not a soldier was taken prisoner and was incarcerated for about eighteen months. He died in July, 1912, having for more than two decades survived his wife, who passed away in 1890.

Dr. Livermore is a member of the Congregational church and his political belief is that of the republican party, which he has supported since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. Along strictly professional lines he has connection with the Massachusetts Homeopathic Medical Society and is one of the most prominent

representatives of that field of practice. He holds to the highest standards, putting forth every effort that will enhance his ability and promote his effectiveness in checking the ravages of disease. His work has been highly commendable and has received the endorsement of colleagues and contemporaries as well as of the general public.

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### CHARLES CLIFFORD PAYSON.

Charles Clifford Payson, operating an important trade as a member of the firm of Clark, Payson & Company at No. 18 Postoffice Square, in Boston, his native city, was born February 1, 1877, a son of Gilbert Russell Payson, who was likewise a native of Boston and a representative of one of the old families of Massachusetts, of English lineage. The founder of the family in the new world was Edward Payson, who made the voyage across the Atlantic in the early part of the seventeenth century. Gilbert R. Payson was for many years engaged in the dry goods commission business in Boston, becoming a well known figure in commercial circles of the city. He died in the year 1891 at the age of fifty-one years and is still survived by his widow, who in her maidenhood was Althea Train, a native of Framingham, Massachusetts, and also connected with one of the old families of the state, of English origin. By her marriage she became the mother of four children.

Charles C. Payson, the youngest of the family, was educated in the Hopkinson School of Boston and at Harvard, being graduated from the university with the class of 1898, at which time the Bachelor of Arts degree was conferred upon him. Following his graduation he became connected with the firm of Ingersoll, Amory & Company, cotton brokers, with whom he continued until July 1, 1917, and during that period became familiar with every phase of the cotton trade, and at the latter date the present firm of Clark, Payson & Company was established, being the outgrowth of the old firm. He ranks high among the leading cotton merchants of Boston, controlling a business of large extent, and all of his undertakings have been characterized by a spirit of undaunted enterprise that allows no obstacle or difficulty to bar his path.

On the 26th of June, 1905, Mr. Payson was married in Brookline to Miss Ethel Williams, who was there born, her parents being Charles A. and Ella (Winslow) Williams, who were repre-

sentives of old and prominent families of Brookline. Mr. and Mrs. Payson have become the parents of three children: Althea, who was born in Brookline, November 24, 1906; Hilda Williams, born in Brookline, April 10, 1909; and Beatrice, born in Brookline, October 12, 1914.

The military chapter in the life record of Mr. Payson covers three years' service in the Massachusetts National Guard as a member of the Light Field Artillery. His political allegiance has been given to the republican party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. His religious faith is that of the Episcopal church, and in club circles he is well known as a member of the Harvard Club of Boston. He resides at No. 14 Allerton street, in Brookline, and his position in business and social circles is an enviable one. His career has been marked by steady progress since he made his initial step in the business world and his success is the direct outcome of a wise utilization of the innate powers and talents with which nature endowed him.



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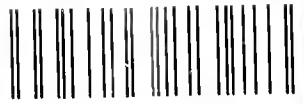








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